

Nerima City Disaster Safety Check Cards



In case of a major earthquake

(JMA Seismic Intensity of 5 lower or greater within the city)

Take the following **TWO** actions

FIRST

If everyone in your household is safe and you do not need help from your neighbors, **hang the safety check card outside your front door.** (Leave it there for at least three days.)

SECOND

Go around and check on your neighbors to see if they have put out their safety check cards as well. **Start by calling out to anyone who does not have the “OK” card displayed.**



- The purpose of safety check cards is to quickly identify who needs help in the neighborhood and assist them. **When households that don't need help display the “OK” card, it immediately shows who may not be OK (those without cards).**
- Please call out “Are you OK?” to any households without cards.

[Safety check card FAQ]

Q1 Safety checks seem important, but who is going to do them?

A1 There is a limit to what the city, fire department, and other public agencies can do immediately following a disaster, so there is no guarantee that these officials will be able to immediately check on your safety. For this reason, safety checks should typically be a joint neighborhood effort.

Q2 What should we do if we find someone who needs help during neighborhood safety checks?

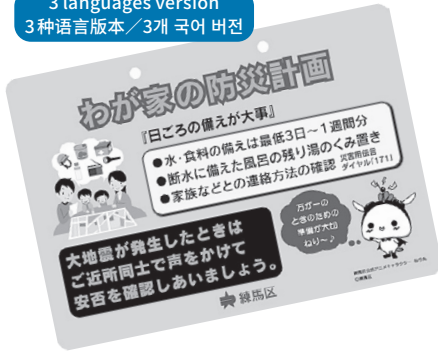
A2 Please assist them as much as you are able. If you cannot help by yourself, ask your neighbors to join in or request emergency rescue from a public agency.

Q3 Why do we need to leave the card out for three days?

A3 The first 72 hours are critical in rescue operations. After that three-day period, survival rates drop dramatically. Keeping your card out for three days makes local safety checks and rescue activities more efficient and effective.



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◀ On the back of your safety check card ▶

- Keep at least three to seven days of food and water on hand at all times
- Keep water in the bath as a reserve in case water services shut down
- Plan in advance how you will contact your family members (use the 171 Disaster Emergency Message Dial)

Note: See “The Nerima City Guide for Everyday Living” on page “Earthquakes” for more information.

Should a major earthquake strike, check on the safety of your neighbors by calling out to one another.

Community relationships protect people and your neighborhood from disasters

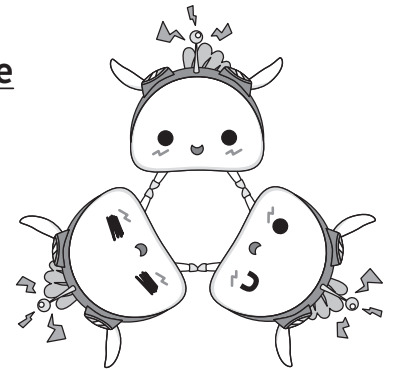
The Great Hanshin-Awaji Earthquake in 1995 resulted in numerous collapsed homes, and nearly 80%* of those rescued from being buried or trapped were saved by their neighbors

*According to the 2003 White Paper on Disaster Management

When disaster strikes, the first people able to rush to the scene are the people in your neighborhood.

Keeping in regular contact with your neighbors and getting involved in your local neighborhood association are some of the best ways to protect yourself in a disaster.

Make your community more resilient to disasters with these three key actions.



Nerima's official anime character Nerimaru
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① Stay involved with your community

Get to know the place you live and the faces of your neighbors. Stay involved on a daily basis.

② Take responsibility for keeping your own neighborhood safe

If a major earthquake strikes, check on the safety of your neighbors and help with first-response firefighting activities.

③ Participate in local disaster management activities

Prepare for emergencies by taking an active role in disaster readiness training programs offered in your area.

*Note that if your neighborhood association has its own system for checking on safety, the safety check cards need not affect it. Please continue with whatever method your community currently has in place.

For questions or more information about the safety check cards, contact:
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