

# Information about child allowance (jido teate) applications

(From April 1, 2012 ~)

\* From April 2012, the (kodomo teate) child allowance will be replaced by the (jido teate) child allowance

## **1 A (jido teate) child allowance can be received in the following situations**

### (1) About the (jido teate) child allowance system

A child allowance is paid to persons who have registered as residents in Japan and are raising children who meet the requirements to receive a child allowance.

### (2) Children who meet the requirements to receive the new child allowance

Children from 0 years old until the age of finishing junior high school (the first March 31 after becoming 15 years old) meet the requirements.

Furthermore, please note that in principle children living abroad (except those studying abroad\*) are not covered by the system.

\* Children who live abroad because they are studying overseas and fulfill all of the conditions stated below, and required documents related to studying abroad are presented meet the requirements required to receive an allowance.

- The child had an address in Japan continuously for 3 years up to the day before they no longer had an address in Japan.
- The purpose for living abroad is to receive an education, and the child does not live with together with their parents (or the child's guardian, if the child is under guardianship)
- Less than 3 years have passed since the day the child no longer had an address in Japan

### (3) Allowance amount

The amount of the allowance paid per child is as below.

(Age classification)	(Amount of allowance per month)
Age 0 ~ under age 3	¥15,000 (for all children)
Age 3 ~ until before finishing primary school	¥10,000 (first / second child) ¥15,000 (third child and above)
Junior high school students	¥10,000 (for all children)
When income limit is exceeded (*)	¥5,000 (for all children)

\*The standard for income limit varies depending on the number of family dependents and various deductions. For details, please contact the enquiries/ application office in 4 below.

### (4) Time and method of payment

The (jido teate) child allowance payment will be made 3 times in the year (June, October, February) for the 4-month period before the month of payment.(The 'kodomo teate' child allowance for the period February and March 2012 (2 months) payment is in June 2012). Payment will be made directly to the bank account of the person raising the child.

## **2 An applications must be made in order to receive an allowance**

(1) An application must be made in order to receive a (jido teate) child allowance payment. Those who wish to receive a child allowance must fill in a 「児童手当認定請求書」(jido teate nintai seikyu-sho [*child allowance authorization application form*]) and together with the forms stated in (2) below make an

application at the application office stated in 4 below. The office will then examine the application. If the application is authorized, the applicant will receive payment of a child allowance.

Those who have received a 'kodomo teate' child allowance up to March 2012 are not required to make an application. However, please note that the 'genkyo todoke' (present condition form) (see (5) below) must be presented.

(2) Documents etc. to be presented with the 'jido teate nintei seikyu-sho' application form when making an application

- Copy of the Health Insurance Certificate of the applicant (if they subscribe to a health insurance scheme)
- Copy of the bank pass book of the account to which the child allowance is to be transferred to (must be the account of the applicant)

\* Other documents may be required if deemed necessary

(3) As a rule, payment of the allowance will begin for the month after the application has been made.

(4) People who receive the (jido teate) child allowance, must present a 'genkyo todoke' (present condition form) each June in order to confirm child care and income conditions. Please note that if the form is not presented, the allowance may not be received. Regarding the 'genkyo todoke' (present condition form), please enquire at the enquires/applications office in 4 below.

### **3 Please Note**

Notification procedures are required in the following circumstances

- When there is a change of address (If an applicant [recipient] moves to a different city, ward, town or village, a new (jido teate) child allowance application is required at the office for the new address.)
- When the applicant or the child for whom the allowance is being received leaves Japan
- When the applicant (recipient) no longer takes care of the child
- When the applicant (recipient) and child live separately
- When, due to birth or death, the number of children for whom the (jido teate) allowance applies changes
- When the bank account to which the allowance is transferred changes (A new transfer can be made only to the account of the applicant.)
- When the recipient has become a civil servant

Etc.

\* In the case of a birth, or moving to another city, ward, town, or village, procedures must be carried out within 15 days from the day after the event. Please note that if procedures are delayed, the allowance for certain months may not be received.

### **4 Enquiries (Applications office)**

Chichibu City Municipal Office Children's Div. Telephone 25-5206