



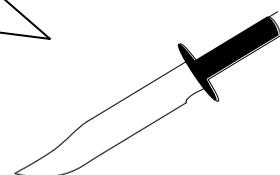
Your lighthearted actions may lead to a crime! Part II

Ota Police Station

Because of the lack of knowledge of the law and rules, your lighthearted actions may lead to crimes in some situations.

Please be aware that in such cases, you may not be able to just justify it without any consequences.

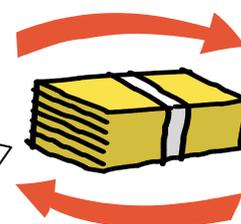
The other day, a stranger approached me on my way home from work. I felt that I was in danger and I got very scared. Therefore, I am thinking about carrying a pocket-knife for self-defense since in my country, it is essential for us to be able to protect ourselves in case of danger.



→ In Japan, it is prohibited by law for citizens to carry weapons or items such as; knives or singlesticks which could be used as weapons for self-defense.

You will be arrested by the police if a police officer questions you and finds out that you are carrying a weapon without a good reason.

My friend told me about a bank where I can send money overseas for lower transaction fees compared to the regular banks. All I need to do is give the money to my friend and he/she will take care of it for me. I am considering sending money through this bank in the future.



→ The bank which your friend recommended may be a bank operating under an underground banking system which is unauthorized and illegal in Japan. If you use these banking systems, you will become associated with crimes organizations. Do not ever use these banks' services!

In my country, persons over 18 years old can drink alcohol and smoke.

I am planning on inviting my son's friends to celebrate his 18th birthday. Since he is turning 18 years old, I am thinking about serving beer and wine at his party



→ In Japan, it is prohibited by law for juveniles (under 20 years old) to drink alcohol and smoke.

Also, the law prohibits that the adult (including the parents) give or allow a juvenile to drink alcohol and use tobacco.

Hello, this is a Routine Visit!

We need your comprehension and cooperation for our activities.

The Routine Visit is when the police officers who are in charge for the safety of a particular area, go around the neighborhood and visit the homes door-to-door to ask questions regarding;

Composition of your family

Confirmation of emergency contact

If you have a request, concern, or information for the Police, please do not hesitate to consult us.

The Routine Visit is an essential activity of the Police to maintain the safety for your daily life.



Q&A about "The Routine Visit"

When will a Police officer visit my home?

The Police officers will not visit only on the weekdays but also on the weekends and national holidays. The Police officers will visit only during the day, not in the early mornings, or late-evenings.

What will the Police officer ask me at "The Routine Visit"?

The Police officer who visits your home will confirm:

Your nationality, address, telephone number

Family information (name, date of birth, occupation, etc.)

Confirmation of the emergency contact, etc.

If you have a request, concern or information for the Police, please do not hesitate to consult us.



How does the Police deal with information I provide and personal information?

We will fill in a document called a "Resident Information Card" based on your answers provided on the Routine Visit.

These "Resident Information Cards" will be stored in a safe place and a third party will not have access to these documents. You do not have to be worried.

I do not speak Japanese very well.

The Police officer will ask you questions in easy Japanese. In case you cannot communicate, you may fill out a Resident Information Card in English instead of answering the questions.

What is the purpose of the Resident Information Card?

The purpose of the Resident Information card:

When you or your family get into an accident or trouble;

When your house is damaged by a major earthquake or fire;

When theft occurs while you were out of the house;

And in other emergencies situations.

The Police will use it to contact you or acquaintances mentioned on this card when an emergency occurs.

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