

Flood risk in Koto City

Let's know the flood risk

Koto Ward developed as an industrial area before the World War II, and the ground subsided due to the pumping of groundwater as industrial water. In particular, Koto City, Sumida City, and parts of Edogawa City are called the Koto Triangle Zone, which is also known as the zero-meter-elevation zone because this zone is lower than the sea level at high tide.

At present, Koto City is surrounded by levees, etc., and has flood control measures by adjusting the water level of rivers in the area. However, there are also the risks of floods, such as **flood** from rivers caused by damaged river banks, flood from inland waters occurred by sea level rise caused by low air pressure, storm surge floods caused by strong winds, and heavy rainfall caused the sewage system and drainage pumping station to be unable to deal with water, which caused water to accumulate on the surface.

Flooding due to heavy rainfall has occurred in many areas of Japan, and Koto city has experienced flooding in the past.

In order for each of us to protect our own lives and those of our families, as well as to ensure continuity in supporting the business operations of our communities, it is important to consider in advance the necessary actions to take in the event of a disaster. Use this "Koto City Heavy Rain Inundation (Inland Waters) Hazard map" to discuss flooding with your family or people in your community workplace.



Total damage due to flood from inland

waters 34%
Approx. 1.27trillio

Japanese yen

Whole country

What is flood from inland waters?

Heavy rainfall in the city area accumulates on the ground surface

In contrast to flooding (flood from rivers) and storm surge flooding, inland flooding occurs when the treatment capacity of sewers cannot keep up with the amount of concentrated heavy rainfall, and rainwater normally treated by sewers and drainage pumping stations accumulates on the ground surface.

In cities like Tokyo, flood from inland waters causes more damage than flooding from rivers, etc. so more attention is needed.



Flooding due to inundation from inland waters Localized and short time flooding

in the central city and other areas Countermeasures: Construction of pipes and pumping stations to

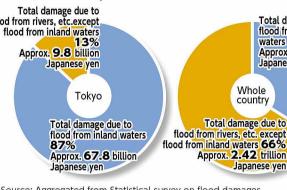
remove and store rainwater from



Flooding due to flood from rivers overflow Flooding of a wide area around

Countermeasures: Build levees to prevent water from overflowing

Percentage of damage caused by flood from rivers and flood from inland waters Note) Total for 10 years from 2010 to 2019



Source: Aggregated from Statistical survey on flood damages

Flood Countermeasure in Koto City

We are taking measures to protect the city

Structural measures

At present, although the sewage treatment system in Koto City has reached 100%, in order to deal with flood from inland waters caused by concentrated rainfall, the sewage treatment system is being improved. Moreover, drainage pumping stations were built to reduce the rise of water levels in rivers and canals in the city area.

In addition, levees, seawall, sluices, and coupure have been constructed to prevent damage caused by floods (flood from rivers) and storm surges.

If you would like to know more about the history of Koto City's waterfront, records of flood damage, and maintenance projects, etc., please visit the [Memory and Future of the City exhibition].



Non-structural measures

Various types of risk information are available to the public in order to protect lives in the event of a disaster. The hazard map prepared by Koto City is also one of the risk information. In order to evacuate quickly in case of emergency, let's collect and study information on a daily basis.

River Information

The Ministry of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism (MLIT) provides "Disaster Information for Rivers".

•Weather information

The Japan Meteorological Agency (JMA) provides "Nowcast (rain cloud movement, thunder, tornado)" and "kikikuru (danger level distribution)".

Disaster Prevention Information

"Flood Hazard Map" provided by Koto City is available. Please refer to the official website of Koto City for hazard maps for floods, storm surges, and heavy rains and flooding (inland water).

Where to get information during a disaster Let's decide the timing of evacuation

In the event of a disaster, you will need to gather information and make decisions about evacuation. It is important that you need to gather the necessary information from the relevant authorities to help you make a judgment and evacuate as soon as possible. Koto City will also issue evacuation information, so please check how to get this information.

Koto City Evacuation of the Elderly, Etc.

Emergency

Safety Measures

Evacuation Instruction

News media

During a disaster, the state of

 Emergency broadcast system •Early warning e-mail •Koto safety and security e-mail Koto City homepage

Radio

evacuation within Koto City

will be communicated through

Rainbow Town FM (88.5 MHz)

•X (formerly Twitter) •Facebook •LINE Koto City Disaster Prevention App

During a disaster, you can

check the state of evacuation

within Koto City through cable

TV (Tokyo Bay Network) data

broadcasting.

School / Public facilities Neighborhood/ community association, etc.

> Other residents

About various information

● I want detailed information on Koto City I want to learn detailed

conditions in Koto City

I want to use apps and

information and make

judgments on evacuation

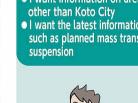
SNS to gather large

FM radio/Cable TV

Rainbow Town FM (88.5 MHz) broadcasts evacuation information from the city as well as conditions within the city.

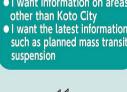
In cable TV(Tokyo Bay Network) data broadcasting, it is possible to check the broadcast contents of the emergency broadcast system. As well as the contents of Koto safety and security e-mails that were sent.

Disaster Preparedness Tokyo App



Check where to get information from on a regular basis! • I want information on areas I want the latest information such as planned mass transit

Gather information on your own!



 Complete rain information for the entire Tokyo area **Tokyo Amesh** Tokyo Amesh



You can check the status of rain clouds and the intensity of rainfall for the

changes over the last 2 hours as well as advisories and warnings Check service status of various train and subway routes

You can check operation information for trains (train delays, temporary

Tokyo Metropolitan Bureau of Transportation Operation Information

https://www.kotsu.metro.tokyo.jp/subway/schedule/

Yahoo! Japan Route Information **Operation Information**

entire Tokyo area. You can also check

Yahoo japan route

disruption, resumed operations, etc.). Use it as a reference when using trains during evacuation.

We want to gather

information from TV Easily understandable information would be nice

https://www.tokyometro.jp/index.html

Push delivery of weather information, evacuation information, etc. You can rapidly check necessary information Other operating information during a disaster. In addition, this app JR East Japan Operation Information also functions as a disaster prevention https://traininfo.jreast.co.jp/train_info/kanto.aspx map and as a phrase book, safety Tokyo Metro Operation Information

Koto City Disaster Prevention Map App

contact / registration for when seeking

help in different languages.

In addition to being able to check various hazard maps, the app can also be used to check whether evacuation sites are open as well as route guidance to evacuation sites.



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Through data broadcasting on TV. it is possible to be one of the first to view weather information, rainfall information, water level information, evacuation advisories communicated by the municipality and opening of evacuation sites.

①Set the TV to NHK General, and press "d button" on your remote control. ②Select "Local disaster-prevention/ lifestyle information"

Collecting information on a daily basis



Memory and Future

of the City Exhibition















How to use Hazard Maps Check if your home or workplace is

- within the flood range
 - Compare the expected inundation depth with the height of the living room.
 - If the inundation depth is deeper than the living room, you need to evacuate.
 - * In the event of an actual disaster, not only flood from inland waters but also flooding and storm surge inundation are expected. There is a possibility that the inundation depth will be deeper than expected, so consider measures according to the situation.

Confirm the evacuation site If your home is safe, secure, and you have enough

- food, evacuation at home is also an option. You can also consider evacuating to a relative's / acquaintance's / friend's house or a private accommodation facilities such as hotels.
- Consider evacuating to the nearest public facility (Municipal elementary school, junior high school, etc.) *It is important to consider multiple evacuation sites.



Walk the route in advance to see if there are any dangerous things.

What is evacuation

Evacuation is "avoiding" from "danger". Going to an evacuation site is not the only way to evacuate. If your home is safe, sheltering at

Preparing for a disaster

Self-help / Mutual Support / **Public support**

When considering disaster preparedness, it can be divided into three categories: Self-help, Mutual Support and Public

[Emergency food (no cooking required)] support. [Self-help] refers to the act of protecting yourself and your family first in the event of a disaster. It also includes preparations such as preventing furniture from Valuables Clothing and underwear falling down. In order to be prepared for emergencies, do what you can in your daily life is self-help.

[Mutual Support] refers to helping each other in cooperation with people around the area or community. [public support] refers to help and assistance provided by public authorities such as the City government, fire department, police, and self-defense forces etc.

Preparing for floods in advance In order to respond to evacuation in an emergency, it is necessary to prepare the items in the [emergency bag], and prepare daily food for evacuation at home.Let's prepare for evacuation at home in the event of a disaster with "Rolling Stock" method, which prepares a little more things that you use at home on a daily basis.

The concept of rolling stock

Buy a little more food and daily necessities, consume in daily life



Homes with infants Diapers, medicine, etc For women Sanitary products, etc.

Items especially needed in case of emergency Cassette stove 5000000 Cash Flashlight Spare battery for mobile phones Emergency Toilet

My timeline

My timeline is an action plan designated by each district

It is designed to organize a chronological summary of the standard disaster preparedness actions we should take in the event of an increasing risk of flooding. The plan serves as a checklist of actions to take in the event of a flood and as a decision support with the goal of achieving "zero escape delays". Develop My timeline based on your own and your family's situation.

Preparing for Heavy Rain This typhoon is supposed to be a big Situation one. It seems to be approaching Kanto, the information need to be collected. Information about <Prepare for disasters>

hazard maps. information, etc. the time of rainfall. Charge cell phones.

· Check the risk of your home using · Consideration of evacuation. Confirmation of evacuation method. · Confirm how to obtain evacuation Prepare an emergency bag. Move important items. Confirm the path of the typhoon and · Check the scheduleof family activities. · Check and buy food. Prepare for strong winds. · Prepare sandbags and watertight

our house is expected to be flooded.

<Confirmation of evacuation action> such as the elderly



Checking where to leave pets

<In the event of a disaster> · Evacuate to a safe place and take the best action to protect your life. Immediately secure your safety. [Horizontal evacuation] Move to the nearest public facility.

located in a safe place. [Vertical evacuation] · Move to a safe place, such as the

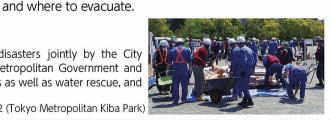
Countermeasures against infectious diseases

- If you evacuate to an evacuation sites, please cooperate with the following in consideration of the risk of infectious diseases. Also, prepare items related to countermeasures against infectious diseases as a daily stockpile from normal times.
- Please check your own health before going to the evacuation sites. Wear a mask and disinfect your hands frequently.
- Keep a certain physical distance as much as possible.
- Use common facilities such as restrooms in a clean manner. If you have a fever or other symptoms, please contact the shelter staff or janitor.

Training implementation status

Every year, Koto City holds a large-scale training to cope with flood disasters jointly by the City government, fire department, fire brigade, national government, Tokyo Metropolitan Government anc other related organizations. The drill includes sandbag construction methods as well as water rescue, and are open to the public.

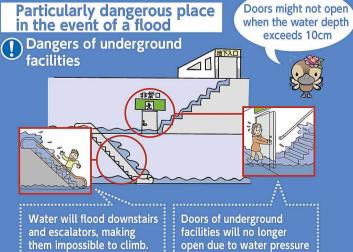
Flood control training in FY2022 (Tokyo Metropolitan Kiba Park



Precautions when using the underground mall

Let's know the dangerous place in case of flood

During heavy rain, underground facilities and paths that are lower than the surroundings (underpasses) can flood in an instant. When evacuating, take sufficient precautions.





When car doors become flooded with water, they their surroundings, making it impossible to drive. will no longer open due to water pressure.

Please note that the flooding conditions of underground facilities may be deeper than ground.

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open due to water pressure

Let's check three pieces of information Confirm the route to the evacuation site.

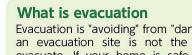
In principle, evacuate on foot

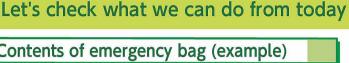
in the event of a disaster. If there is a dangerous place such as an underpass on the route,

consider another route.









☐First aid kits ☐Medicine ☐Rope

☐Helmet ☐Disaster prevention hood

Paper plate/Paper cup/Chopsticks ☐Can opener, Plastic wrap

■Toiletries, Disposable body warmer Mask, Rubbing alcohol

Water supply polyethylene tank



Things to check before evacuating Things to keep in mind during evacuation At this rate, the typhoon will hit directly. An evacuation alert has been issued We have to prepare and check because

by Koto City. Let's get out of here. Alert Level 3 4 5

- <Evacuate as soon as possible> Those who need time to evacuate, Those who feel they are in danger, such as who are in underground facilities or living near rivers.
- Appeal to those who require support
- Move to a relative's or friend's house
- upper floor of your house. **Evacuating with pets**
- When evacuating with pets together in the event of a disaster*, owners need to be responsible and prepared for any eventuality in order to take care of their pets.
- Basic discipline *Evacuating together means Health care evacuating with a pet that is moving with you. This does Identification such as stray tags Stockpiling pet supplies

not mean that the owner and the pet can be in the same room at the evacuation site.

The engine will stall

when water reaches

the muffler!