

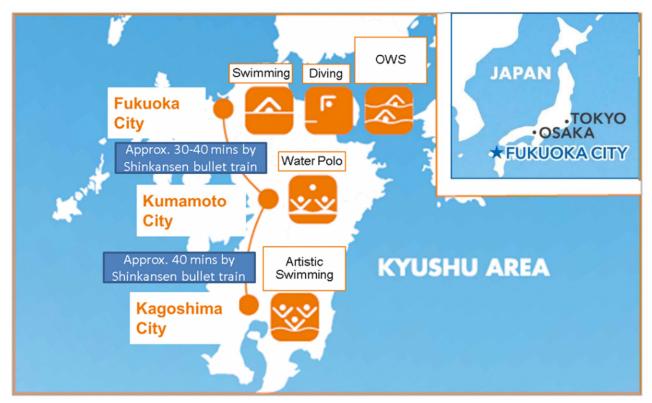


CHAPTER

## 4. Transportation Guide and Services

The World Aquatics Masters Championships in 2023 will be held in 3 cities: Fukuoka, Kumamoto, and Kagoshima.

Each city is connected by the Kyushu Shinkansen bullet train.



## 4.1. Fukuoka City 4.1.1. Access

#### By Air [Fukuoka Airport]

Fukuoka City is widely known as one of the most conveniently located cities around the world. Fukuoka Airport is directly connected to the subway station, and it is just a 10-minutes' train ride from the station to the city centre. Excellent connections to and from international hub airports is another outstanding feature of the airport; enabling great access to cities across Europe and America.

- ·International flights to Fukuoka airport available from the following cities:

  Seoul, Busan, Taegu, Shanghai, Beijing, Dalian, Qingdao, Wuhan, Yantai, Taipei, Kaohsiung, Hong Kong, Manila, Bangkok, Singapore, Hanoi, Ho Chi Minh, Macau, Guam, Honolulu, Helsinki (summer flights only)
- \* Partially suspended (as of December 2022)
- Direct flights to Fukuoka airport available from the following domestic airports:

  Haneda, Narita, Nagoya (Chubu), Nagoya (Komaki), Kansai, Osaka (Itami), Sapporo, Iwatehanamaki, Sendai, Ibaraki, Komatsu, Niigata, Shinshu-matsumoto, Shizuoka, Matsuyama, Izumo, Kochi, Tokushima, Goto, Fukue, Tsushima, Amakusa, Miyazaki, Kagoshima, Yakushima, Amamioshima, Naha, Ishigaki, Miyako (seasonal flight)
- •Flight information:https://www.fukuoka-airport.jp/en/
- •Domestic/international terminal connecting bus: Free connecting buses run every 12 min during the daytime.

International to domestic terminal: approx. 15 min. Domestic to international terminal: approx. 10 min.

·Access from Fukuoka Airport to the city: <a href="https://www.fukuoka-airport.jp/en/access/">https://www.fukuoka-airport.jp/en/access/</a>
From the Domestic Terminal

City Subway: Domestic terminal building is directly connected to City Subway Fukuoka Airport Station.

To Hakata Station: approx. 5 min/ \(\pma260\) To Tenjin Station: approx. 10 min/ \(\pma260\) Nishitetsu Bus: Local buses service from Fukuoka Airport to Fukuoka City and express buses to various places in Kyushu.

To Hakata Station (Hakata Bus Terminal): approx. 20 min/ $\pm$ 270 To Tenjin (Tenjin Central Post Office): approx. 30 min/ $\pm$ 360

Taxi: approx. 20 min to Hakata Station/ about ¥1,500, approx. 30 min to Tenjin/ about ¥2,000 \*Times and fares are approximate.





From the International Terminal

Nishitetsu Bus: approx. 15 min to Hakata Station (direct bus)/ ¥270

Taxi: approx. 20 min to Hakata Station/ about ¥1,500, approx. 30 min to Tenjin/ about ¥2,000 \*Times and fares are approximate.

#### By Rail (Hakata Station)

Shinkansen bullet train service to JR Hakata station is available from major cities including Kumamoto and Kagoshima. Online reservation and payment, as well as operation status of trains are available on the following website. JR Kyushu: <a href="https://www.jrkyushu.co.jp/english/">https://www.jrkyushu.co.jp/english/</a>

## 4.1.2 Transportation in the city (access to each venue)

- \*Please use public transportation to visit the venue.
- \*Information on how to access each venue will be provided at a later date.

Fukuoka City Subway Top Page: https://subway.city.fukuoka.lg.jp/eng/index.php

How to get on and off: <a href="https://subway.city.fukuoka.lg.jp/eng/how/">https://subway.city.fukuoka.lg.jp/eng/how/</a>

(Local bus)

Nishitetsu Bus Top Page: <a href="https://www.nishitetsu.jp/en/">https://www.nishitetsu.jp/en/</a> How to get on and off: <a href="https://www.nishitetsu.jp/en/bus/">https://www.nishitetsu.jp/en/bus/</a>

- \*Cash (in Japanese yen) is required when using public transport (buses) (except when using transport IC cards, one-day passes, etc.).
- \*Arrival times may vary depending on traffic conditions (buses, taxis). Please allow plenty of time to visit the venues.
- \*A bus service which runs between transport hubs to the venues will be sold at a website provided by OC's affiliated travel agent (advance booking required). By using this worry-free bus service, your travel time to the venue will be much shorter and more punctual compared to public transport, and the ride guidance service provided by staff ensures a safe and comfortable ride.

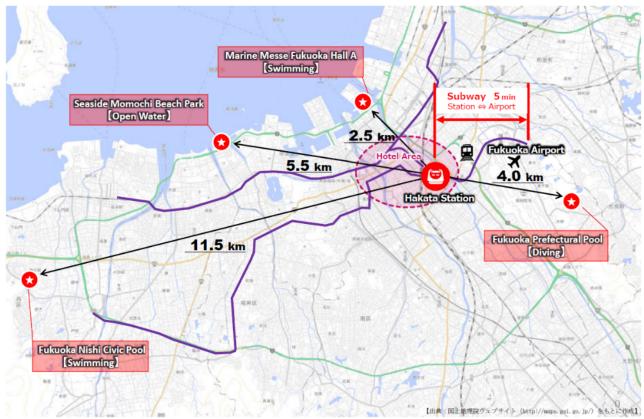
A website detailing this bus service, including how to purchase tickets, will available at a later date. Its URL Will be released on OC's official website.

- \*Accommodation package is also on sale at the same website. (Please refer to 4.1.3 for more information.)
- \*Please do not drive to the venues as there is no parking for participants at the venues.





## ■ Venue Location Map



## 4.1.3. Accommodation

- \*Please make your own accommodation arrangements.
- \*Accommodation package for the Masters participants is sold at a designated website run by OC's affiliated travel agent. The URL for this website will be released at a later date on OC's official website.
- \*Worry-free bus service (onward and return) between venues can optionally purchased. (please refer to 4.1.2 for more information).

## 4.1.4 Sightseeing Information

Please see the following website for Fukuoka City's sightseeing information.

The site also includes information on transportation, including deals on transportation passes.

\*Fukuoka City Official City Guide "Yokanavi": <a href="https://yokanavi.com/en/">https://yokanavi.com/en/</a>

## 4.2. Kumamoto City

#### 4.2.1 Access

#### By Air [Aso Kumamoto Airport (Mashiki-machi, Kumamoto Prefecture)]

- ·International flights to Kumamoto airport available from the following locations: South Korea (Seoul-Incheon, Daegu), Taiwan, Hong Kong
  - \* Partially suspended (as of December 2022)
- •Direct flights to Aso Kumamoto airport available from the following domestic airports: Tokyo (Haneda), Tokyo(Narita), Osaka (Itami), Osaka(Kansai), Chubu(Centrair), Nagoya (Komaki), Amakusa, Naha
- \*Flight information: <a href="https://www.kumamoto-airport.co.jp/en/service-dom/">https://www.kumamoto-airport.co.jp/en/service-dom/</a>
- ·Access from Aso Kumamoto Airport to the city:

https://www.kumamoto-airport.co.jp/en/access/

Please use airport limousine buses or other means of transportation to get from the airport to Kumamoto City, the host city of the Championships.

Limousine bus: approx. 1 hr to Kumamoto Station (in front of Kumamoto Station)/ ¥960 for adults, approx. 50 min to Kumamoto Sakura-machi Bus Terminal/ ¥880.

Taxi: approx. 45 min to Kumamoto Station/ about ¥5,600, approx. 40 min to Sakuramachi Kumamoto/ about ¥5,200 \*Times and fares are approximate.

#### By Rail [Kumamoto Station]

Shinkansen bullet train service to JR Kumamoto station is available from major cities including Fukuoka and Kagoshima. Online reservation and payment, as well as operation status of trains are available on the following website. \*JR Kyushu website:

https://www.jrkyushu.co.jp/english/

## 4.2.2 Transportation in the city (access to each venue)

\*Free shuttle bus service to the venue will be available.

Please present your registration accreditation card or GMS registration completion authorisation screen when using the shuttle buses.

The route and schedule of the free shuttle bus will be posted on the Masters Championships' official website.

\*A bus service which runs between transport hubs to the venues will be sold at a website provided by OC's affiliated travel agent (advance booking required). By using this worry-free bus service, your travel time to the venue will be much shorter and more punctual compared to public transport, and the ride guidance service provided by staff ensures a safe and



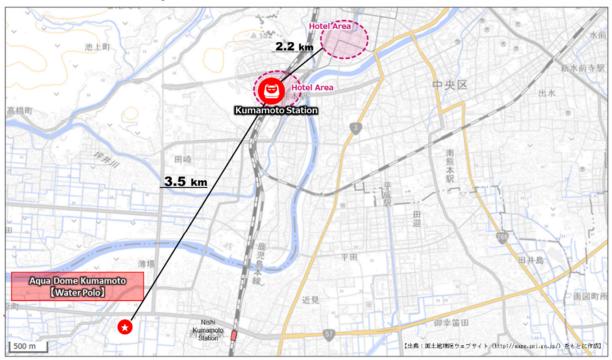


comfortable ride.

A website detailing this bus service, including how to purchase tickets, will available at a later date. Its URL Will be released on OC's official website.

\*Accommodation package is also on sale at the same website. (Please refer to 4.2.3)

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## 4.2.3 Accommodation

- \*Please make your own accommodation arrangements.
- \*Accommodation package for the Masters participants is sold at a designated website run by OC's affiliated travel agent. The URL for this website will be released at a later date on OC's official website.
- \*Worry-free bus service (onward and return) between venues can be optionally purchased. (please refer to 4.2.2 for more information). \*URL (accommodation sales website)

#### 4.2.4 Sightseeing Information

Please see the following website for Kumamoto City's sightseeing information.

The site also includes information on transportation, including deals on transportation passes.

\*Kumamoto City Tourism Guide:https://kumamoto-guide.jp/en/

## 4.3. Kagoshima City

#### 4.3.1 Access

#### By Air [Kagoshima Airport (Kirishima-city, Kagoshima Prefecture)]

- ·International flights to Kagoshima airport available from the following cities: Seoul, Shanghai, Taipei, Hong Kong
  - \* Partially suspended (as of December 2022)
- Direct flights to Kagoshima airport available from the following domestic airports:

  Tokyo (Haneda), Tokyo (Narita), Osaka (Itami), Osaka (Kansai), Chubu(Centrair), Mt. Fuji Shizuoka, Kobe, Matsuyama, Fukuoka, Yakushima, Tanegashima, Kikaijima, Amamioshima, Okinoerabujima, Tokunoshima, Okinawa (Naha), Yoron
- \*Flight information: <a href="https://www.koj-ab.co.jp/en/">https://www.koj-ab.co.jp/en/</a>
- ·Access from Kagoshima Airport to the city:

https://www.koj-ab.co.jp/en/ground-transportation/public-transportation.html

Please use airport limousine buses or other means of transportation to get from the airport to Kagoshima City, the host city of the Championships.

Limousine bus: approx. 40 min to Kagoshima Chuo Station/ \(\frac{\pma}{1}\),400,

approx. 50 min to Tenmonkan/ \pm41,400.

Taxi: approx. 40 min to Kagoshima Chuo Station/ about ¥11,700,

approx. 45 min to Tenmonkan/ about ¥11,100 \*Times and fares are approximate.

#### By Rail [Kagoshima Chuo Station]

Shinkansen bullet train service to JR Kagoshima station is available from major cities including Fukuoka and Kumamoto.

Online reservation and payment, as well as operation status of trains are available on the following website. JR Kyushu website: https://www.jrkyushu.co.jp/english/

## 4.3.2 Transportation in the city (access to each venue)

- \*Please use public transportation to visit the venue.
- \*Information on how to access each venue will be provided at a later date.
- \*Information on public transportation services can be found on the following websites: \(\Tram/\) Local bus\(\)

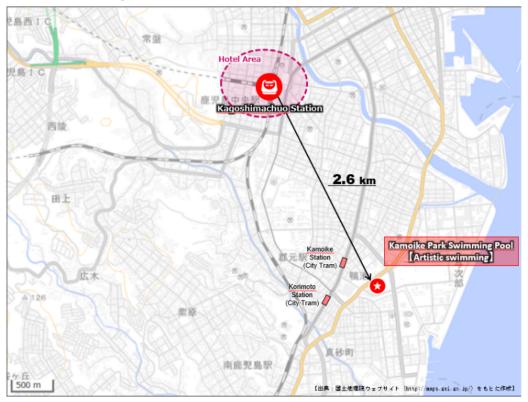
Kagoshima City Traffic Bureau Top Page: <a href="https://www.kotsu-city-kagoshima.jp/en/">https://www.kotsu-city-kagoshima.jp/en/e-howto/</a>
How to get on and off: <a href="https://www.kotsu-city-kagoshima.jp/en/e-howto/">https://www.kotsu-city-kagoshima.jp/en/e-howto/</a>

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## 4.3.3 Accommodation

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## 4.3.4 Sightseeing Information

Please see the following website for Kagoshima City's sightseeing information.

The site also includes information on transportation, including deals on transportation passes.

\*Kagoshima City Tourism Guide: <a href="https://www.kagoshima-yokanavi.jp/en/">https://www.kagoshima-yokanavi.jp/en/</a>

#### 4.4. Medical Services

During the Championships, the Organising Committee will offer participants and guests the best quality medical services. The following services will be provided to ensure that athletes compete in their best conditions:

· Medical care at competition and training venues

Medical staff from accredited hospitals will provide free first aid services at these locations. If further treatment is required, patients will be transferred to designated hospitals.

For emergency situations outside the Championships' venues and facilities, call 119 for ambulances. Patients will be taken to nearby accredited hospitals.

All participants and guests are advised by the Organising Committee to purchase health and accident insurance for the full length of your stay.





# 5. Events and Other Information

## 5.1. Fukuoka Ichiba(Market Street)

During the World Aquatics Masters Championships in Kyushu, the following booths and other stands will be set up at the Fukuoka Ichiba, which will be held in the Marine Messe Hall A, the swimming competition venue.

- Sales of official goods of the Championships.
- · Tourist information booths of the host cities Fukuoka, Kumamoto and Kagoshima.
- · VR experience (high diving venue) booth
- Sponsor stands, etc.

For more information on the Fukuoka Ichiba, including operating hours and information on each stand, please refer to the official website.

#### 5.2. Opening & Closing Ceremonies

A brief ceremony will be held on the day the competition starts (or the day before) at each venue. You are welcome to attend. No ceremony will be held on the last day of competition. Swimming: 4 August 2023 (Fri), Marine Messe Fukuoka Hall A (after technical meeting)

Diving: 2 August 2023 (Wed), Fukuoka Prefectural Pool.

Water Polo: 5 August 2023 (Sat), Kumamoto City Indoor Swimming Pool (Aqua Dome Kumamoto).

Artistic Swimming: 5 August 2023 (Sat), Kagoshima City Kamoike Park Swimming Pool.

Open Water Swimming: 2 August 2023 (Wed), Seaside Momochi Beach Park

## 5.3. Affiliated Projects

During the World Aquatics Masters Championships Kyushu 2023, many affiliated events and projects are planned to take place in various locations. For more information, please visit our official website at https://www.fina-fukuoka2022.org/intro/ocproject/.

#### 5.4. Useful Information

#### Currency

The official currency of Japan is the Japanese Yen (JPY). The exchange rate (as of January 2023) for some major currencies is as follows:

1 US dollar (USD) = 127 yen.

1 euro (EUR) = 137 yen.

1000 Korean won (KRW) = 102 yen.

10 Chinese yuan (CNY) = 187 yen

For the current exchange rate, visit the website

Except for some local markets and small shops, most stores accept all major credit cards.

Currency exchange is available at most banks.

The following coins and banknotes are used in Japan:

Coins: 1 yen, 5 yen, 10 yen, 50 yen, 100 yen, 500 yen

Banknotes: 1,000 yen, 2,000yen, 5,000 yen, 10,000 yen

#### **Banks**

Most banks are open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on weekdays and closed on weekends. Money can be withdrawn from some ATMs using credit cards at any time. Exchange rates differ by banks; therefore, it is recommended that you compare rates by visiting their websites.

#### **Credit Cards**

Visa and Master cards are accepted at banks, hotels, stores, shops and restaurants. Bus, train and airplane tickets can also be purchased with credit cards.

#### Electricity

In Japan, electricity is supplied at 100V.







#### Wi-Fi

There will be public wireless LAN (Wi-Fi) service available in Fukuoka City, Kumamoto City and Kagoshima City.

For further details, please refer to the links below.

Fukuoka City

https://www.city.fukuoka.lg.jp/wi-fi/index.html

Kumamoto City

https://www.pref.kumamoto.jp/soshiki/26/50627.html

Kagoshima City

http://www.city.kagoshima.lg.jp/kan-senryaku/miraisenryaku/wifi.html