



Nagoya Municipal Minato Disaster Prevention Center

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Hours: 9:30~16:30 (Admission and activities FREE)

Closed: Mondays (except when a national holiday falls on a Monday, the center will be open that day and closed the following weekday)

Every third Wednesday

End of the year and New Year's (12/29~1/3)

This center was built February 18, 1982, and is the third facility in Japan for learning about disasters.



Earthquake Experience Room

You can experience a JMA Seismic Intensity (*shindo*) 7 class earthquake, which has occurred in Japan in the past.

You can learn what to do when an earthquake occurs. (Small children can also experience earthquakes lower than *shindo* 7.)

When an earthquake occurs,

- ① Go under a table, firmly grasp its legs, and protect your body. (If you cannot put your entire body under the table, at least put your head under it.)
- ② When the shaking settles, close gas valves to prevent fires.
- ③ Open a door or window to secure a path to get outside.
- ④ Turn off electrical breakers in order to prevent fires after power is restored.

*If there is no table nearby, cover your head with a bag or your hands.



3D Theater

You can experience a disaster in a regular Nagoya City home in 1959. Different movies are featured depending on the time.

1. Ise Bay Typhoon

On September 26, 1959, the Ise Bay Typhoon caused severe damage in Japan, centered in the Tokai region. Over 5,000 lives were lost across Japan to this

large-scale typhoon. During the typhoon, large lauan trees overflowed from Nagoya lumberyards, destroying homes and buildings. The "Disaster Countermeasures Basic Act" was established as Japanese law in response to the typhoon. You can experience the typhoon that had great effects on the history of Japanese disaster prevention through this 3D movie.

2. Simulation of Tsunami from a Nankai Trough Earthquake at the Port of Nagoya
A Nankai Trough Earthquake can happen at any time. This 3D video shows what will happen to the Port of Nagoya if such an earthquake were to occur.



Smoke Evacuation Experience Room

You can learn key points of evacuating from a smoke-filled room in the event of a fire. Death during fires is usually caused by inhaling smoke, not by the fire itself. Evacuate without inhaling smoke.

- ① Crouch down to evacuate. During fires, smoke rises to the ceiling. There is some breathable air close to the floor, so get low during evacuation.
- ② Cover your nose and mouth with a handkerchief or cloth. If you don't have a cloth or handkerchief, cover with your sleeves or clothing.
- ③ If there are drinks or water nearby, wet the handkerchief before covering your nose and mouth.
- ④ Close doors and windows and evacuate so the fire does not grow.
Caution: During evacuation, do not run or push as they can cause falling down and injury.

Staff will accompany reserved tours to the three activities listed above. Our staff can only speak Japanese, so we ask for you to prepare an interpreter if necessary.

Mini Firetruck, Fire Helicopter, Fire Fighter Experience (Tour at your leisure)

- You can get in the pilot seat of the *Nagoya 2* helicopter, actively used from 1981 to 1996.
- You can get in a Mercedes-Benz Mini Firetruck, used from 1935 to 1969. This Mini Firetruck was created by the Nagoya City Fire Bureau in 1987.
- You can wear Nagoya City Fire Bureau uniforms and take pictures.

Water Fire Extinguisher Experience (Requires Reservation)

You can learn how to use a fire extinguisher with a practice-use fire extinguisher filled with water.