



Ginowan City Newsletter

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2022 Municipal/Prefectural Resident Tax and National Health Insurance Tax Return

File your taxes between February 16 and March 15 at the city office between 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m.

■ Do I need to file a tax return for resident tax?

If you lived in Ginowan City as of January 1, 2022 and received an income last year (even if you had not been working), you must file a tax return. Even if you did not have an income, you must also file a tax return if you wish to receive deductions for National Health Insurance or Nursing Care Insurance premiums. If you received only a salary income or pension last year, but wish to add dependents or claim deductions for life insurance, social insurance, or medical expenses, you must file a tax return.

*However, if you already submitted a final income tax return (*kakutei shinkoku*), you do not need to file for the municipal/prefectural resident tax separately.

■ What happens if I don't file a tax return?

You will not be able to apply for any tax-related certificates or receive deductions for your National Health Insurance or Nursing Care Insurance premiums.

■ What do I need to bring?

Your My Number card (or notification card), a piece of photo ID, and:

- **Salaried employees and public pensioners:** Withholding Tax Statement (源泉徴収票 *gensen choshu hyo*)
- **Business owners, real estate/property income earners:** Statement of Earnings and Expenses
- **National Health Insurance and Long-term (Nursing) Care enrollees:** proof (certificate) of premiums paid
- **National Pensioners:** social insurance premium deduction certificate (社会保険料控除証明書 *shakai hokenryo kojo shomeisho*)
- **Individuals with disability:** disability handbook
- **Students:** student ID
- **Individuals claiming for medical deduction:** breakdown of medical expenses incurred last year and relevant receipts
- **Life insurance premiums/earthquake insurance premium deduction certificate**
- **Individuals receiving rent from military land leases:** details of payment from the Federation of Landowners Association of land used for Military Purposes, 2021 property tax payment notice, or public dues certificate



Gastric, colorectal and lung cancer screening and specific health checkups

Cancer screening available until Feb 28

Specific health checkup available until Mar 31

Impacted by the effects of the pandemic, cancer screening rates in 2021 saw a significant decline. A delay in detection and diagnosis has a negative impacts future treatment. Group screening for colorectal, gastric and lung cancer is available until February 28, while specific health checkups are open until March 31.

For group examinations, you must make an appointment in advance with the Ginowan City Health Consultation Centre at 098-898-5583.

- Feb 5 (Sat) at Ginowan City Office
- Feb 27 (Sun) at Ginowan City Office (last day for cancer screenings)
- Mar 13 (Sun) at Ginowan City Office (specific health checkups only)

You may also choose to get your screening and checkup at a medical facility of your choice. Please contact the clinic or hospital directly to make an appointment.

For inquiries, please contact the Ginowan Health Consultation Centre.

GINOWAN POPULATION AS OF DECEMBER

Total population	100,317 (+31)
Foreign nationals	1,569 (-29)
Nationalities	51 (±0)
Total households	46,347 (+47)

Are you turning 20 years old? It's time to think about pension

You are automatically enrolled into the National Pension System when you turn 20 years old

The National Pension is a system created to collectively support those in society who have reached old age, suffered an injury that resulted in a disability, or suffering the loss of a family breadwinner. Those enrolled in the NPS can receive the Old-Age Pension, Disability Pension, or Pension for the Bereaved when the need arises.

When you turn 20 years old, the Japan Pension Service will notify you that you have been automatically enrolled as a **Category I insured person**. Employee's Pension enrollees and their dependents must complete the necessary procedures with their employer.

***Category I insured persons = students, the self-employed and unemployed**

An application for an exemption/postponement of payments or for a special exemption for students can be made if you have difficulty making premium payments.

More information can be found on the Japan Pension Service's website (multilingual page available). For inquiries, please contact us at the Resident Affairs Division at the extension numbers 2763 and 2764.