Traffic rules in Japan

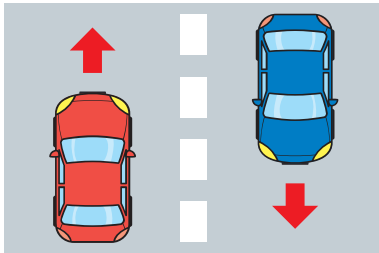## Basic rules

"Stop" sign

止まれ

You must stop the vehicle completely and look both ways to ensure it is safe.
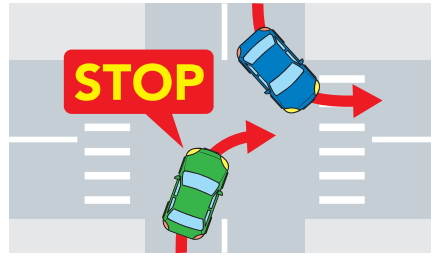
Speed limit

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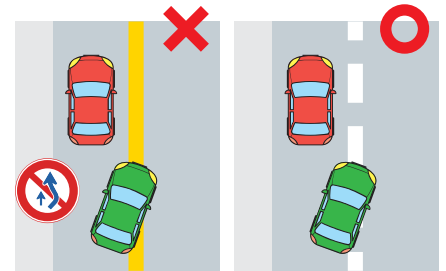Legal speed limit is 60km/h on general roads and 100km/h on expressways.

Keep left

All vehicles must drive on the left-hand side of the road.

Stop before turning right

STOP

Watch out for cars in the opposite lane when turning right at an intersection.

No-passing zones

Passing is forbidden in zones with a yellow center line.

Seatbelts and child car seats

All passengers must wear seatbelts and children under six years of age must be seated in child seats.

Never drive after drinking

The driver under the influence of alcohol and passengers who encourage to drink will be penalized.

Never use a mobile phone while driving

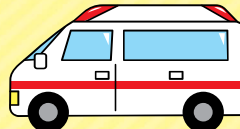There are penalties for talking on a handheld mobile phone and for focusing on a screen while driving.

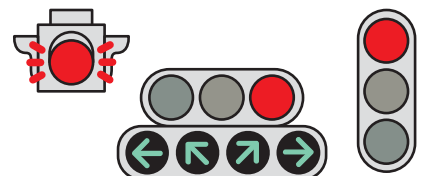## 📞 Emergency telephone numbers

110 Police — POLICE

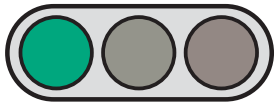**119** Ambulance

Call 110 for the police

Call 119 for an ambulance
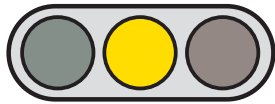
Various types of traffic lights
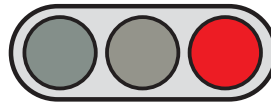
Traffic lights

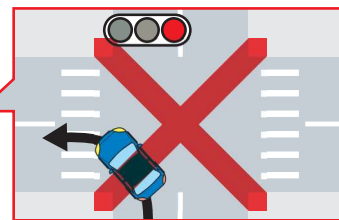## Green lights
You may proceed.
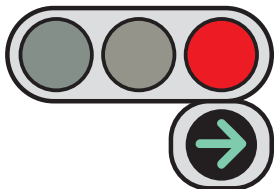
Yellow lights
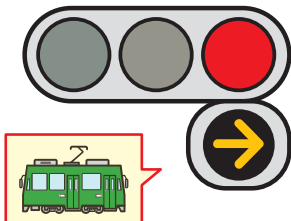Do not start to proceed.

Red lights
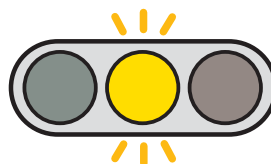Do not proceed.

Green arrow
You can proceed in the direction of green arrow.
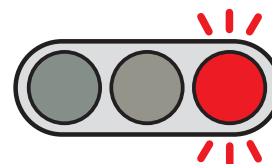
Yellow Arrow
Do not proceed in the direction of yellow arrow as they are only for tram.

Blinking yellow lights
You have to caution for pedestrians and vehicles coming from the right or the left.

Blinking red lights
You must stop the vehicle completely and look both ways to ensure it is safe.

Traffic signs

Stop 止まれ

Slow down 徐行

No parking/stopping

No parking

Speed limit 50

Do not enter

No U-turn

No passing

One way

Designated direction only

Railroad crossing

Toll road 東名高速 TOMEI EXPWY

How to use ETC

① **Insert your ETC card all the way into the slot.**
Your ETC card is verified.
ETC GOOD THRU -MONTH/YEAR 有効期限 00/00 0000-0000-00

② **Check which lanes allow ETC.**
ETC専用 ETC一般 一般 or 閉鎖中
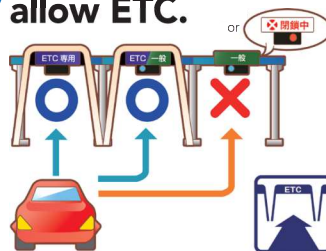
③ **Do not exceed 20km/L when entering the lane.**
Drive slowly through the lane.
Less than 20 km/h