



Enjoy Summer Barbecues in Your Best Way & Fair Manners!!!

夏のバーベキューをマナーを守って楽しもう!!!



In summer, the first things that come to mind are water sports at the beach or river, camping, and barbecues. Especially during this season, barbecues are very popular. So, in this month's intercultural notes, some basic manners related to barbecues in Japan are introduced so that you can enjoy these barbecues. Outside BBQ is a fun event as it offers a sense of openness especially by cooking over an open fire, but it can cause some problems such as fire, barbecue smoke and bad smells. Also, loud voices, loud music and garbage problems can cause trouble with neighbors. Due to these matters, some neighborhood councils have prohibited outside BBQs in response to the complaints of their residents.

◆ Let's check and observe the following basic manners to avoid trouble!

1. Barbecuing on Your House Site

▼ Think first about your neighbors' nuisances related to their residential and environmental conditions.

(1) Smoke:

Smoke from barbecues can spread to surrounding houses, causing the smell of smoke to get on laundry. It may also get inside the houses through the open windows, which can be unpleasant for the neighbors.



(2) Noise:

Loud noise or loud music may disturb residents who want to spend their time quietly, such as families with small children.

At night, as it gets quieter as people prepare for the bed-time in town, the cleaning after the BBQ is advised to be finished by 5:00 pm.

(3) Garbage Disposal:

Be sure to **put out the charcoal** so as **not to catch fire**.

Garbage from the BBQ must be sorted according to the city's garbage disposal rules and put out on the designated day.



◆ Tip: If you can let the neighbors know about your BBQ ahead of time, you will have fewer problems.

(e.g. During your BBQ, some neighbors may close their windows to prevent from the smoke or they may not dry their clothes outside.)

2. Barbecuing at the Riverside Areas or Parks

▼ It is **limited to the riverside areas or parks where the BBQ is allowed**. (Not all the riverside areas or parks allow that.)

In some facilities, it is allowed at the designated areas for the BBQ, but **not** in unauthorized areas.

If you barbecue at a BBQ site, camp site or designated area, you will feel at ease and will not have any problems with your neighbors. It would be helpful to contact the local administration office in advance to check availability.



▼ **Never wash your dirty dishes and throw garbage or dirt in the river**, as it causes water pollution and harms the environment.

Follow the rules of the place where you barbecue and clean up afterwards.

Garbage after the BBQ must **not** be disposed in rivers and parks. **Do not leave it unattended and take it home properly.**

(Cigarette butts, fireworks, plastic bottles, BBQ sauce, leftovers, paper plates, disposable chopsticks, BBQ nets, charcoal & ashes, food trays, cans, bottles, etc.)

3. Others

▼ **Personal use of public tap water in large quantities is not allowed.**

In the public area like parks, there were some cases that people brought their own swimming pools and used water. Water in public facilities is limited to simple use, such as washing hands.

▼ **Public Park with a BBQ site: Haranoya Riverside Park (Haranoyagawa Shinsui Koen)**

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