

Notice

Possession or Use of Drugs is a Criminal Offense in Japan

Penalties

Even with a small amount of possession of restricted drugs, even for personal use, you may well be arrested and could face severe charges.

Cannabis possession

up to **5 years**
imprisonment

Cocaine use

up to **5 years**
imprisonment

Methamphetamine smuggling

More than 1 year
imprisonment

Cases

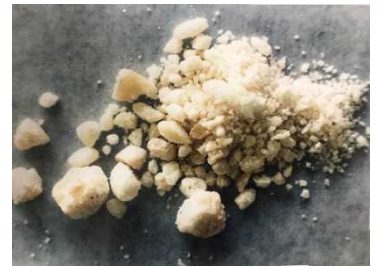
【 CASE 1 : Possession of Marijuana 】

A woman brought a small amount of marijuana from abroad for personal use. She was immediately arrested after customs detected her marijuana upon entry into Japan.



【 CASE 2 : Possession of Cocaine 】

Several foreigners were arrested for being involved in cocaine possession after police revealed cocaine dealing in a night club.



【 CASE 3 : smuggling of Methamphetamine 】

A woman was asked by her boyfriend to carry a baggage to Japan. At the moment her entry into Japan, she was arrested for carrying methamphetamine by police.