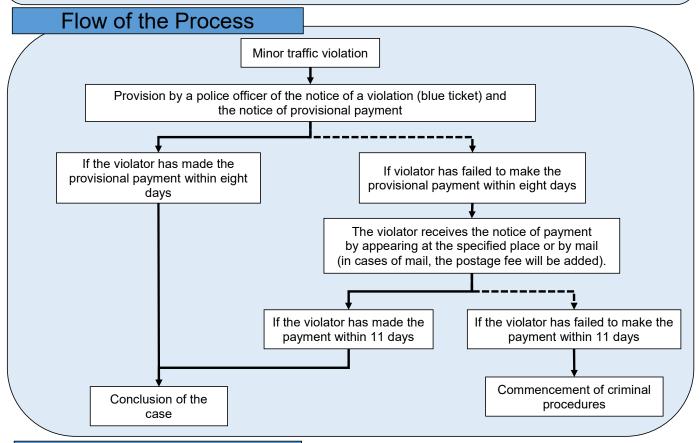
Notification of Traffic Violations

In Cases of Traffic

In cases where drivers have committed serious traffic violations (including unlicensed driving and driving under the influence of alcohol), they will be brought before a criminal or family court for trial. In addition, they may be arrested. However, there is a scheme of notification for relatively minor traffic violations, as follows.

Overview

Under the scheme, if violators pay penalties for relatively minor violations from among the various traffic violations within a certain period of time, they will not be subject to prosecution or brought before the family court for trial, and the case will be closed. In cases where they do not pay penalties, the original criminal procedures will be commenced. Violations include failing to stop or ignoring traffic signals. However, violators such as those who have committed unlicensed driving, who have driven under the influence of alcohol, and who have committed violations that led to accidents, are not eligible for the scheme.



Main Traffic Violations

O Failing to stop O Using a cellular phone while driving (excluding cases where it caused traffic hazards)

- O Passing road prohibited O Ignoring traffic signals
- O Speeding (driving at no more than 30 km/h faster than the limit on a general road and no more than 40 km/h faster than the limit on an expressway) O Impeding pedestrians
- O Prohibition on changing course O Improper overtaking

O Operating defective vehicle, etc.

Payments of Penalties

The payment of penalties can be made at the counter of a bank or a post office across Japan. However, the payment can be made only during business hours on weekdays when the transfer can be processed. The payment is accepted only in cash (Japanese yen) and cannot be paid in installments.

Other Inquiries

Please consult with the center for the notification of violations of the prefectural police indicated in the notice of a violation (blue ticket).