

International Napasa Radio Scripts for August 26 2025.

1. 🗺️ Shonan Bellmare Hiratsuka Beach Opening

The Shonan Bellmare Hiratsuka Beach is open from Saturday, July 19 through Sunday, August 31. Hours: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Temporary parking lots will be open on weekends, holidays, and from August 12 to 15, from 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Inquiries: Beach Park office — 0463-23-4781

2. 💰 Municipal Tax Payment Deadline

August 31 is the payment deadline for the second installment of the city and prefectural residents' tax. Please make your payment by the due date. If you're unable to pay on time, contact the Hiratsuka City Tax Payment Division at 0463-21-8769.

3. 🍴 Volunteer-led Japanese Classes

Hiratsuka offers several free Japanese language classes led by local volunteers. These include:

- The Hiratsuka International Exchange Association
- Kabela Japanese Language Group
- Shonan JRC
- Yokouchi Project

Want to know where and when? Visit the Hiratsuka City website for full details.

4. 🗳️ Immigration Procedure Fee Changes

Starting April 1, 2025, fees for various residency procedures have been revised. For example:

- Changing your residence status now costs ¥6,000 (up from ¥4,000)
- Permanent residency: ¥10,000
- Re-entry permits: ¥4,000 for single, ¥7,000 for multiple entries
- Certificate of employment qualification: ¥2,000

For a full list, check the Immigration Services Agency website.

5. 📞 Nuisance Call Prevention Device Subsidy

Residents aged 65 and over can receive a subsidy to purchase devices that block unwanted phone calls. Hiratsuka City will cover half the cost, up to ¥5,000. To apply, head to the Crisis Management Division on the 4th floor of City Hall. More info? Call 0463-21-9863.