Traveloffsy

CHEAT SHEET · MONEY AND TRANSPORT

First trip to Japan

Emergency numbers

110 Police

119 Ambulance or fire

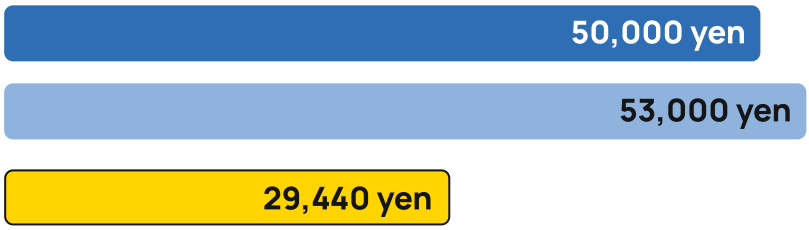
Departure tax

From 1 Jul 2026

¥3,000 each time you leave by air or sea (was ¥1,000). Children under two do not pay. Usually added to your ticket.

Japan Rail Pass or normal fares?

One Tokyo to Shin-Osaka Nozomi trip costs **14,720 yen** (one adult, reserved standard seat, ordinary season). Two cost less than a 7-day pass:



The pass alone does not cover the Nozomi: holders pay 4,960 yen extra per Tokyo to Shin-Osaka trip. For tickets bought from 1 Jul 2027 the fare rises to 15,420 yen.

Tax-free shopping

From 1 Nov 2026

Pay the price with tax; get the tax back once customs confirms the goods are leaving Japan. Spend at least **¥5,000** before tax, same shop, same day. Customs check within 90 days of purchase, before you check in your bags.

Hotel cancellations

No official fee scale: the government's model terms leave every percentage blank. The fee in **your own booking's terms** applies, so read them before you book.

Visit Japan Web

The Digital Agency's online service for arrival procedures (immigration and customs) and for tax-free shopping. Japan Customs recommends declaring through it.

Source: JR Group, JR Central and JR West official pages (all rights reserved; facts stated in our own words). Japanese government: 出典 国税庁, 観光庁, 税関, デジタル庁 (PDL1.0), 警察庁 and 消防庁 websites, 加工して作成 (edited by Traveloffsy). Checked 24 Sep to 4 Nov 2026. Figures change: check the latest at **traveloffsy.com/first-trip-to-japan-money-transport**. General information, not advice.