



3 Public subsidized housing

Koteki jutaku (public subsidized housing) are housing provided by local authorities and public corporations. This section explains the types of public subsidized housing, eligibility, offer for rent and application procedure, among other details.

3-1 Types of housing

Public subsidized housing is distinguished by whether it is provided by the local authorities or public corporations. Housings provided by the local authorities include *todofuken-ei jutaku*, *shi-ei jutaku*, *ku-ei jutaku* and *cho-ei jutaku*, administered by the metropolitan or prefectural government, city, ward and town, respectively. Housing provided by the public corporations include *UR chintai jutaku* (sometimes called *toshikiko jutaku*) rented out by the Urban Renaissance Agency (UR).

3-2 Eligibility

Any type of public subsidized housing has precise eligibility rules concerning alien registration, earnings standard and other requirements. For details, please contact the municipality in charge of administering the housing or UR.

3-3 Offering for rent

Public subsidized housing is offered for rent on a regular basis or as needed. *Todofuken-ei jutaku* is usually offered for rent four times a year (January, April, July and October). Announcement of offers is distributed at the municipal administrative office and other relevant locations.

For *shi-ei jutaku*, *ku-ei jutaku* and *cho-ei jutaku*, announcement of offer is placed in the newsletters issued by the municipality. Newsletters can be obtained at the municipal administrative office or other convenient locations such as nearby stations. They are also distributed through community associations like *jichi-kai* or *chonai-kai*.

For *UR chintai jutaku*, you can access the UR website to find the house you want, and then apply for rent.

3-4 Application procedures

After confirming the eligibility and other necessities, you submit an application for residence to the section in charge of the housing you want, using a designated form and attaching necessary documents.

Since there are many applicants to public subsidized housing, residents are chosen by lot.

Rents are adjusted depending on your income. Besides rents, additional fees including common area fees and parking fees will be required.

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Documents required	Where to apply	When to apply	Remarks
1 Application for residence 2 Alien registration certificate 3 Proof of earnings, etc. 4 Others, as needed	Section in charge of the housing offered for rent.	Housing rent by the city, ward, town or UR: on a regular basis or as needed. Housing rent by the metropolitan or prefectural government: usually four times a year (Jan., Apr., Jul., Oct.).	For details, contact the administrator (municipal administrative office or UR).