Traffic accidents / Automobile insurance

In the event of a traffic accident

- Move the vehicle to a safe place and switch off the engine.
- If there is an injured person, call for an ambulance (Tel: 119).
- Contact the police and describe the accident (Tel: 110)
- Confirm the other person's name, address, telephone number and vehicle registration number.
- If there is a witness, ask for their name and where they can be contacted.
- Notify your insurance company.

Compulsory Automobile Liability Insurance [Jidosha Songai Baisho Sekinin Hoken]

It is required by law (compulsory) to have automobile liability insurance. Enquire at an insurance company.

Optional (Automobile) insurance

As liability costs have risen, optional automobile insurance helps compensate for the liability costs which go over the compensatory limits of the compulsory liability insurance. Enquire at an insurance company.

Traffic Accident Mutual Aid Association [Kotsu Shogai Kyosai]

This is a mutual accident aid association system for traffic accidents. In Nishinomiya City the premium payments are of two types: ¥1,000 and ¥2,000 per person with a 1-year insurance term. Anyone can join at anytime.

Enquiries Citizens Mutual Aid Association Office (Shimin Kyosai Jimukyoku) 0120-24-9431 Nishinomiya City, Honmachi 5-33 Nishinomiya Shimin Kyosai Kaikan

Note For details, ask a person who understands Japanese to enquire for you.