

Fukushima Prefecture Government

# FOR PICKERS AND DISTRIBUTORS OF WILD MUSHROOMS

Prepared in collaboration with the International Atomic Energy Agency

IMPORTANT NOTES FOR PEOPLE WHO PICK OR DISTRIBUTE WILD MUSHROOMS  
IN FUKUSHIMA PREFECTURE AND INFORMATION ON RESTRICTIONS



## Background

Due to the release of radioactive substances released during the 2011 Fukushima Daiichi Nuclear Power Plant accident into the environment, wild mushrooms exceeding the standard limit of radioactive substances in general food (100Bq/kg) may occur in many parts of the prefecture. Therefore, the national government has issued restrictions on the distribution of wild mushrooms from the prefecture. As a result of these restrictions:

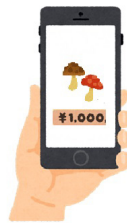
**THE DISTRIBUTION OF WILD MUSHROOMS COLLECTED IN FUKUSHIMA PREFECTURE IS CURRENTLY NOT ALLOWED (WITH SOME EXCEPTIONS)**

## Restrictions

Currently, 55 out of 59 municipalities in Fukushima Prefecture are subject to restrictions on the distribution of wild mushrooms, regardless of the species and whether raw or processed.



Do not sell on farmers' markets or the roadside



Do not sell by mail order or on the Internet (including using the Flea Market mobile App)



Do not distribute to others for free

However, in a few municipalities, and for a limited number of mushroom species, these restrictions have been partially lifted. For details, see page 2 of this brochure.



## Wild mushroom species for which the restrictions have been lifted

These species can be distributed in the following municipalities:

**Mukitake**



In Aizuwakamatsu City, Nishiaizu Town, Aizumisato Town, Showa Village, Tadami Town.

**Kuritake**



In Aizuwakamatsu City, Nishiaizu Town, Showa Village, Tadami Town.

**Nameko**



In Nishiaizu Town, Aizumisato Town, Showa Village, Tadami Town.

**Naratake**



In Tadami Town.

**Maitake**



In Nishiaizu Town, Yanaizu Town, Mishima Town, Showa Village, Tadami Town.

**Bunaharitake**



In Tadami Town.

## Outlook

Fukushima Prefecture continues to monitor the wild mushroom species collected in various municipalities, and works with the national government to achieve the lifting of restrictions. The aim is to ensure that wild mushrooms can be distributed again, once concentration of radiocaesium has dropped below the standard limit.

This brochure will be updated once a year before the main mushroom picking season in the autumn.

## More information

If you have any further questions related to the distribution of wild mushrooms in Fukushima Prefecture, please contact:

**Fukushima Prefecture  
Forestry Promotion Division**  
**024-521-7432** 

For the latest information on the distribution restriction of wild mushrooms, consult the web page of the Fukushima Prefecture's Forestry Promotion Division:

[www.pref.fukushima.lg.jp/uploaded/attachment/472173.pdf](http://www.pref.fukushima.lg.jp/uploaded/attachment/472173.pdf)



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[www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/kinkyu/0000030874.html](http://www.mhlw.go.jp/stf/kinkyu/0000030874.html)



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