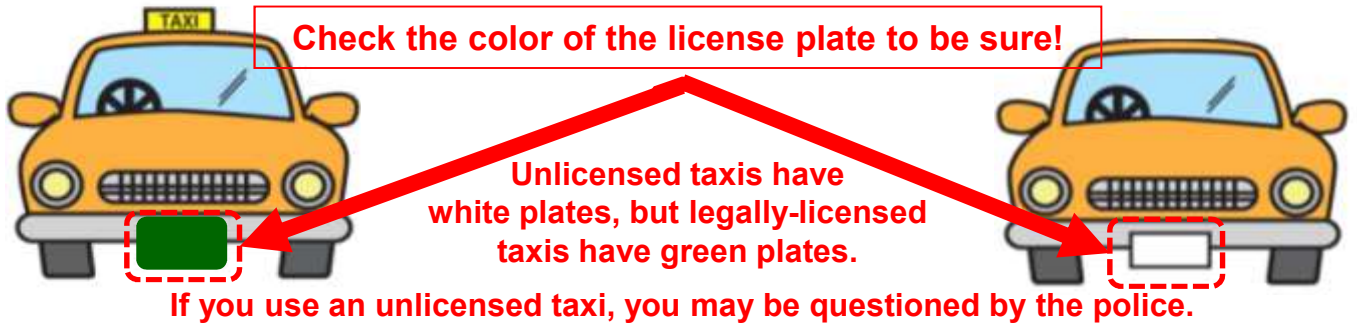
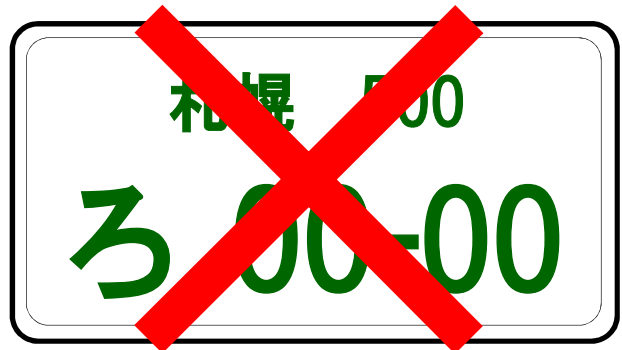


# Beware! Unlicensed Taxis are **Illegal** and **Unsafe**!



- Unless a vehicle has been issued the proper permissions, drivers in Japan cannot use a personal vehicle to transport passengers for a fee—for example, via a ride-hailing app !
- Violations are subject to imprisonment of up to three years, a fine of up to 3 million yen, or both !



\* Licensed taxis have green plates, while private cars have white or yellow plates. However private cars displaying specially designed white plates with a green border plus a sticker for the Olympic and Paralympic Games or Rugby World Cup also have the proper permissions to serve as a taxi.

**If you happen to be injured while you are in an unlicensed taxi,  
you may not be protected by any coverage of insurance!**

Unlicensed taxis are not reliable  
in safety



	Licensed Taxi	Unlicensed Taxi
Driver	Professional driver	Non-professional driver
Breath alcohol measuring check	Yes	No
Accident liability	Responsibility is on the taxi company	It's up to the driver
Insurance coverage	¥80 million or more for passengers	None



**For a safe and worry-free trip,  
please use a legally-licensed taxi!**

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