



Emergency Message for U.S. Citizens: Japan, Typhoon Updates

Natural Disasters

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This message is an update for U.S. citizens residing or traveling in Japan to the Embassy's August 23 message about Typhoons Tembin and Bolaven. Due to conditions resulting from Typhoon Bolaven, U.S. Consulate Naha is closed on Monday, August 27, 2012. U.S. citizens in the region should consult the website of the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo (<http://japan.usembassy.gov/e/tacs-main.html>) or the U.S. Consulate in Naha's Facebook Page (<https://www.facebook.com/naha.usconsulate>) for updates on U.S. Consulate Naha's operating status.

At this time, Tembin is expected to approach close to Ishigaki, Miyako and Yonaguni Island, and Bolaven is north-northwest of mainland Okinawa. However, there is always a possibility that the typhoons will change course. Heavy rain and strong winds can be expected across the entire island of Okinawa, and may affect areas including large portions of Kyushu.

Travelers throughout the region should monitor local media for warnings including high seas, heavy rains, strong wind gusts, coastal flooding, and landslides.

We will continue to monitor Typhoons Tembin and Bolaven's track. Please monitor the storms' projected paths by consulting media sources and the following websites:

Japan Meteorological Agency: <http://www.jma.go.jp/en/typh/>

Kadena Weather: <http://weather.kadenaforcesupport.com/>.

AFN radio at 89.1 FM provides regular weather bulletins. Locate shelter, monitor media reports, and follow all official instructions. Carry your travel documents at all times (e.g., U.S. passport, birth certificate, picture ID's, etc.) or secure them in a safe, waterproof location. You should also contact friends and family in the United States with updates on your whereabouts.

The Kadena Weather Authority at Kadena Air Base is in Tropical Cyclone Condition Of Readiness (TCCOR) and currently at alert status 1 Recovery, meaning Destructive winds of 50 knots are no longer occurring. Actual winds are 34-49 knots. Nonessential functions remain closed unless directed by the base commander. All but emergency essential personnel have been asked to remain in their quarters.



For further details, see either of the following websites: Japan Meteorological Agency: <http://www.jma.go.jp/en/typh/> or Kadena Weather: <http://weather.kadenaforcesupport.com/>.

Additional information on hurricanes and storm preparedness may be found on the "Natural Disasters" page of the Bureau of Consular Affairs website. http://travel.state.gov/travel/tips/emergencies/emergencies_1207.html

Updated information on travel in Japan may be obtained from the Department of State by calling 1-888-407-4747 within the United States and Canada, or from overseas, 1-202-501-4444. These numbers are available from 8:00 am to 8:00 p.m., Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays).

Please consult the Country Specific Information Sheet for Japan, available on the Bureau of Consular Affairs website at http://travel.state.gov/travel/cis_pa_tw/cis/cis_1148.html. For any emergencies involving U.S. citizens, please contact the American Citizens Services (ACS) Unit of either the U.S. Embassy in Tokyo or one of the U.S. Consulates in Japan listed below:

U.S. Embassy Tokyo
American Citizen Services
1-10-5 Akasaka, Minato-ku, Tokyo 107-8420
Tel: 03-3224-5174
After Hours: 03-3224-5000
Fax: 03-3224-5856
<http://japan.usembassy.gov/e/tacs-main.html>

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Consulates:

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<http://osaka.usconsulate.gov/>
- Nagoya:



Nagoya International Center Bldg. 6th floor, 1-47-1 Nagono, Nakamura-ku, Nagoya 450-0001; Tel (052) 581-4501, Fax: (052) 581-3190; providing emergency consular services only (including death and arrest cases) for Americans living in Aichi, Gifu, and Mie prefectures. <http://nagoya.usconsulate.gov/>

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- Naha:
2-1-1 Toyama, Urasoe City, Okinawa 901-2104; Phone: 098.876.4211, Fax: 098.876.4243; serving Americans in Okinawa and the Amami Oshima Island group <http://naha.usconsulate.gov/>