

Saidaiji Eyo: the Naked Man's Festival

To all participants

We are aiming for "Safe and Cheerful Saidaiji Eyo." Therefore, we have conducted a review of previous precautions, and added two new rules:

- Application system: please apply for the Naked Man's Festival in advance with Kannon-In or Eyo Hosan-Kai.
- Name tag system: please put a tag in the ventral part of *fundoshi* loincloth.

Please keep the precautions listed below. Thank you for your cooperation.

Precautions for Participating the Naked Man's Festival

Saidaiji Eyo is not a sport, but a Japanese traditional and holy festival. Please read carefully following precautions. There can be risks for injuries in the crowd. Please protect yourself. We are not responsible for your accident. Participating in the festival under the influence of liquor usually cause any kinds of accidents. Please do not drink before and during the festival. It can be dangerous that you stay on the main floor for a long time. Please minimize staying on the main floor. There is 30 minutes break time before shingi sticks throw. When you feel sick or you are losing your physical strength, please go down from the main floor.

1. Not allowed to participate in the festival when you are under the influence of liquor. It is very dangerous.
 - The participants who are drunk will be removed before entering the site.
 - Hosan-Kai is not responsible for your accident.
2. No tattoos, no *jika-tabi* socks, no *tohi-tabi* socks
 - The participants who are tattooed and/or wearing *jika-tabi/tohi-tabi* will be removed before entering the site.
 - Not allowed to participate in the festival even if you cover the tattoos with clothes, tapes, cosmetics and/or any other stuff.
 - Tattooed participants will not be qualified as *fukuotokos* (lucky man) even if they get *shingi* sticks. The *shingi* sticks will be forfeited.
3. No violence, no fights
 - No hitting, no kicking, no choking others
 - Those who do the actions above will be punished for illegal acts.
4. Please remove glasses, necklaces, pierced earrings and/or any other jewelry.
 - We will check for glasses and/or jewelries. We do not keep them temporarily.
5. Not allowed to compete for *shingi* sticks outside of the temple precinct (Participants who get *shingi* sticks outside of the temple precinct will not be qualified as *fukuotokos* (lucky man))
6. Not allowed to wear *hachimaki* towels on your head, *happi* coats, and to use lanterns and labarum at the temple precinct after 9:00 pm
7. In case of an accident, please put a tag with your name, address, emergency contact number, phone number, blood type, and the location of your changing room, in your *fundoshi* loincloth to identify yourself.
8. Please apply for the Naked Man's Festival in advance with Kanon-In or Eyo Hosan-Kai (If you participate in a group, register the representative person only)
9. Please learn how to protect yourself: put your hands up at the main hall, lie on your stomach when you fall down, do not place your arm across each other's shoulders, and so on.
10. Please clear the way for the rescue team.
11. Please participate in the festival only if you are comfortable with your health and/or physical strength.
12. Please remember the locations of your changing rooms as there are many of them.
13. Please assume that photos and/or films of the crowd can be used for the festival publications.
14. The participants who get *shingi* sticks must bring them back to Saidaiji Eyo Hosan-Kai (inside Saidaiji Branch of Okayama Chamber of Commerce & Industry) immediately.

◆◆◆Important Notice◆◆◆ From 2010, (500th anniversary of Eyo), Shingi Stick throws at 10:00pm.

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