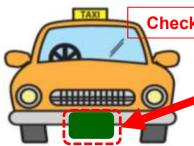
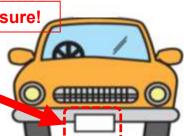
Beware! Unlicensed Taxis are Illegal and Unsafe!



Check the color of the license plate to be sure!

Unlicensed taxis have white plates, but legally-licensed taxis have green plates.



If you use an unlicensed taxi, you may be questioned by the police.

- •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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