

# End-of-Year Prefectural Traffic Safety Initiative

Mon 15-Wed 31 December

## The City's Theme for this Year

Pedestrians, Cars and Bicycles – Upholding Traffic Rules and Etiquette to Protect Ourselves and Others

### Focus points of the initiative:

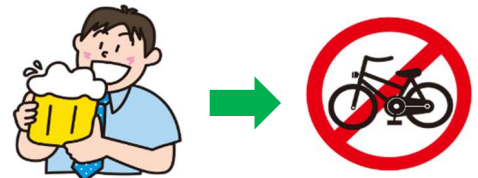
1. Ensuring pedestrian safety at crossings and preventing traffic accidents involving senior citizens
2. Preventing accidents in the evening and during the night
3. Eliminating drunk and dangerous driving



### Drunk Driving is a Serious Crime

Although stricter penalties have helped reduce accidents caused by drunk driving in recent years, tragic incidents still occur. The year-end season brings more opportunities to drink alcohol. Providing alcohol to drivers, encouraging them to drink, or riding in a vehicle driven by someone who has been drinking are all punishable offenses.

*If you drink, don't drive. If you drive, don't drink.*



### Blue Ticket System for Bicycle Traffic Violations

Due to revisions to the Road Traffic Act, the Traffic Violation Notification System (Blue Ticket) will be introduced starting 1 April 2026. It applies to traffic violations committed by bicycle riders aged 16 and older. For details, please visit the city website.

### Main Violations and Penalty Amounts:

- Using a mobile phone while riding (distracted riding): ¥12,000
- Ignoring traffic signals: ¥6,000
- Riding on the right side of the roadway: ¥6,000
- Failure to stop at a stop sign: ¥5,000
- Riding without lights: ¥5,000
- Riding side by side: ¥3,000

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**City Website:** [www.city.shizuoka.lg.jp/s9623/s013050.html](http://www.city.shizuoka.lg.jp/s9623/s013050.html)



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