Designation of Evacuation Sites and Roads

It is important to do our best together with citizen of Tokyo for the prevention of fire outbreak and for the initial firefighting activities. But it is also necessary to evacuate in case there is a risk of lives due to the earthquake fire spread.

The Tokyo Metropolitan Government has designated the Evacuation Sites and Roads in the ward area in advance under Article 47-1 and Article 48 of the Ordinance on the Earthquake Disaster Countermeasures.

Also as for Tama region, each municipality has designated them in light of each local situation.

(Evacuation Sites)

The sites meeting the following two conditions are designated.

- (1) To have area large enough against radiant heat in time of the major earthquake in consideration of the situation of surrounding urban areas
- (2) Not to have facilities which impair the safety of evacuees in time of the earthquake

For the capacity of the evacuation site, we secure 1 m^2 per person against the effective evacuation area in principle, and allocate it to each area. The allocation to each area is conducted with consideration of each urban area, the neighborhood association and the residents' association.

The Ordinance was amended in May 2013, and 197 sites have been designated as the Evacuation Sites.

(Designated Remaining Area within the District)

We are designating the area where there is no threat of fire spread in time of the major earthquake and the wide-area evacuation is not necessary as the Designated Remaining Area within the District.

The ordinance was amended in May 2013, and 34 areas have been designated as the Designated Remaining Areas within the District.

(Evacuation Roads)

In principle, you can choose the way to evacuate to the Evacuation Site. However, we designate the Evacuation Roads for the areas where the distance to the Evacuation Site is approx. 3km or more, or, there is significant risk of fire spread. This is to guide the safe and smooth evacuation by clarifying the principle Evacuation Roads in advance.

With the amendment to the Ordinance in May 2013, 14 systems, 58 roads, total length approx. 54km have been designated for 12 Evacuation Sites.

Also we are designating the Evacuation Roads with the width of 15m or more in principle. (Provided, however, that if there is no such road, the width shall be 7.5m or more)