



Public Transportation Facilities

Buses (バス Basu)

Takikawa hosts several convenient route buses that travel to locations in the city and throughout Hokkaido. Nearly every city bus passes through Takikawa Station Bus Terminal on its route. Fares vary based on departure and arrival points. Passengers may pay in cash or with an IC card. Information concerning bus routes, time schedules, and cancellations can be found at the Chuo Bus website.

◆ Hokkaido Chuo Bus (北海道中央バス)

TEL: 0125-24-6191

URL: <http://www.chuo-bus.co.jp/>

(Japanese/English/Simplified Chinese/Traditional Chinese/Korean)

Trains (電車 Densha)

Takikawa sits on the JR Hakodate Line, which connects Shin-Chitose Airport, Sapporo, and Asahikawa. In addition, it is the starting point for the JR Nemuro Line, which passes through Furano and Shintoku in eastern Hokkaido. In order to ride the rapid service train (特急電車 Tokkyuu Densha) you will require a special ticket in addition to your normal ticket. This special ticket can be obtained from the ticket dispensing machine, from the Green Counter in the station, or from a train attendant after boarding the train. Information concerning routes, time schedules, and cancellations can be found at the JR Hokkaido website.

◆ JR Hokkaido (JR北海道)

URL: <http://www.jrhokkaido.co.jp/index.html>

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Taxis (タクシー Takushii)

There are three ways to order a taxi.

1. When you see a taxi on the road, raise your hand and wait for the taxi to stop for you. (Taxis cannot stop when they already have a paying customer.)
2. Wait at the taxi line in front of the train station.
3. Call a taxi company to pick you up at a specified place and time.
(You may order a taxi to come directly to you at the time you are calling.)

All taxi doors open via remote mechanism, and the driver will operate that mechanism. When entering a taxi, the driver will open the left rear door for you. Upon arriving at your destination, please pay the amount indicated on the meter. (Fees accrued by using the expressway are paid separately.) Fees vary based on the size of the taxi vehicle and the taxi company.