

How to detect real or fake invoice number?

When you calculate the Sales Tax payable amount, you have to check these two things;

- 1) Is The Official Registration number (INVOICE NUMBER インボイス番号) written in Invoices, receipts, or any other related documents you received?
- 2) Is The Official Registration number the real or fake?

About 1), it's very easy to check because Japanese INVOICE NUMBER is “T” plus 13 digits number. However, you can't figure out at a glance whether the number is real or fake.

To check this point, you need to access this website; <https://www.invoice-kohyo.nta.go.jp/>



When you want to know an INVOICE NUMBER is really exist one or not, please enter it here.
If it's real one, you'll see the result like this;
(name, registration date and address)



On the other hand, if it's fake or no more existing one, you'll see the error message like that one;



Even when you didn't know an INVOICE NUMBER written in the invoices/receipts was the fake one, you can't treat it as the “deductible from sales tax payable amount”.