

## Notice on train timetable changes in March 2024

JR Hokkaido will change train timetable on March 16, 2024.

### 1. Sapporo - New Chitose Airport

- The number of “Rapid Airport” will be 6 trains, increasing one train every hour during daytime (9am-4pm).
- The “Special Rapid Airport” departing the New Chitose Airport Station will be operated between 7pm and 8pm and between 11pm and 0am.

### 2. Otaru - Sapporo - Iwamizawa

- All rapid trains will stop at Soen Station.

### 3. Local train

- All train cars for rapid and local trains on Sekihoku Line and Senmo Line will be changed to the H100 series diesel electric car with motors. Passengers need to push the button to open and close the door when getting on or off the train at stations.



### 4. Abolition of station

- Soya Line: Hatsuno Station, Onnenai Station
- Sekihoku Line: Aizan Station
- Hakodate Line: Nakanosawa Station
- Sekisho Line: Takinoue Station

### 5. “All seats reserved” on the Ltd. Exp. “Hokuto”, “Suzuran”, “Ozora” and “Tokachi”

From March 16, 2024, the Ltd. Exp. “Hokuto”, “Suzuran”, “Ozora” and “Tokachi” will not have non-reserved seats due to changes to “all seats reserved” on the limited express trains mentioned above. Please see [here](#) for details.

## 6. Expansion of sections that Kitaca (IC card) can be used

The Kitaca will start its service at 20 stations in Hakodate area (6 stations) and Asahikawa area (14 stations) from March 16, 2024.

### Kitaca valid section

- Current valid section
- Valid section from March 16, 2024

