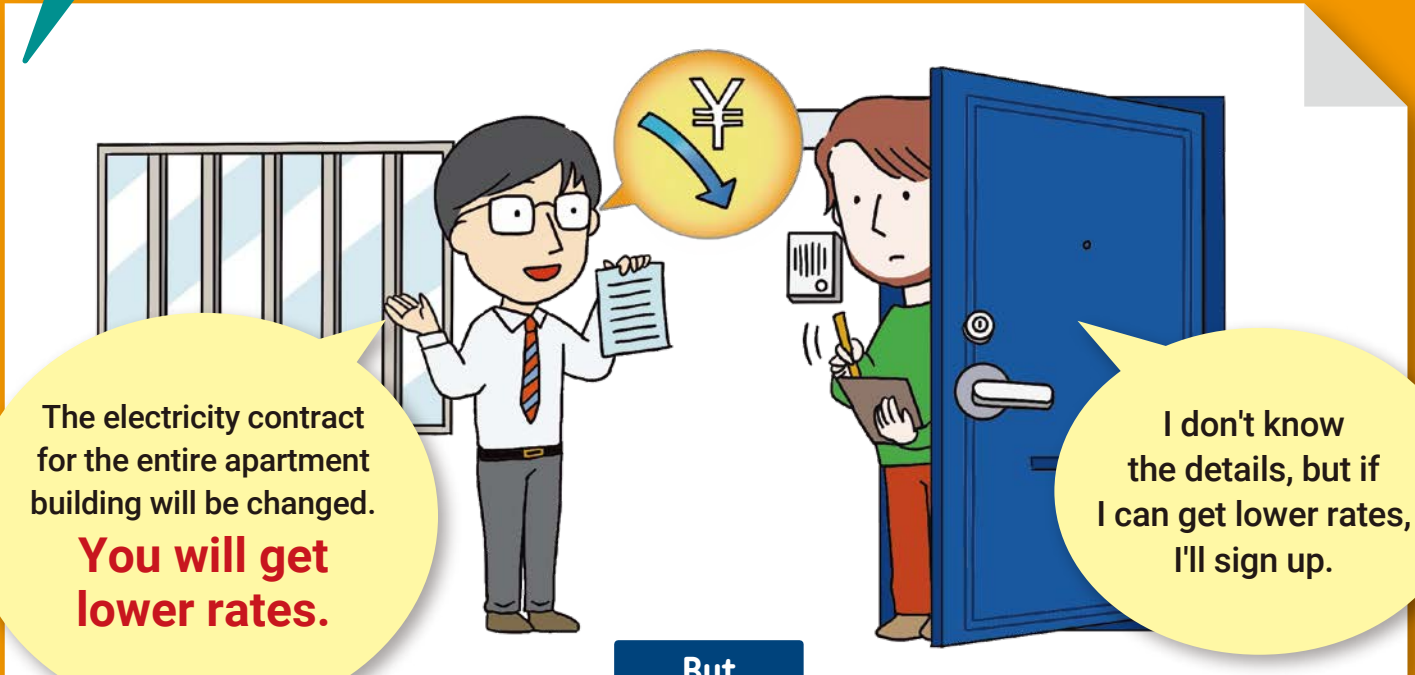


Beware of Electricity Contract Scams!



But the next month —



A door-to-door scammer will ring your doorbell and say, "We are changing the electricity contract for the entire apartment building," "I was referred by the company that manages this building," and "You can save on your electricity bill." These are all lies!



How to protect yourself from these scams:



1

Scammers will ask you to show them your meter reading slip. Don't do it!

Your meter reading slip contains your customer information and the account number necessary to change energy contracts. Do not show important information like this to scammers.

2

Scammers will say, "Everyone else has already signed up." Check with your landlord or the company that manages your apartment building. Do not sign their contract.

Many people have been scammed like this right after moving into a new place. Moving into a new place is a busy and chaotic time, making you more easily distracted and more prone to scams than usual.

3

Some people have also been victimized by door-to-door scammers impersonating employees from gas, water heater, or storage battery companies.

These scammers try to get you to agree to pay exorbitant rates and/or sign a contract that involves a complicated payment method. Read the contract carefully.



To avoid being scammed:

- If there's anything you don't understand, check by asking the service provider as many times as you need.
- Do not sign any contract you don't fully understand.
- If you feel uneasy about something, discuss it with someone you trust.