Nara Prison Museum: Visitor Guidelines and Regulations

1. **Food and Beverages**
    - **No Outside Food or Drink:** Bringing food or drinks into the museum is generally prohibited.
    - **Exceptions for Sealed Containers:** You may bring beverages in spill-proof, lidded containers (e.g., water bottles or tumblers). However, consumption is permitted only outdoors.
    - **Indoor Consumption:** Eating or drinking is strictly prohibited inside all buildings (except within the designated cafe area).
    - **In Exhibition Rooms:** Please keep your lidded beverages always stored inside your bag while viewing the exhibits.

2. **Photography and Filming**
    - **Personal Use:** Photography and filming for personal use are permitted. Please be mindful of the privacy and portrait rights of other visitors.
    - **Prohibited Areas:** Some areas prohibit photography to protect cultural properties or due to copyright restrictions. Please look for and follow the "No Photography" signs in each area.
    - **Equipment Restrictions:** The use of flashes, tripods, monopods, selfie sticks, and drones is prohibited. Photography in cosplay outfits is also not allowed.
    - **Commercial Use:** Photography for commercial purposes or any filming that inconveniences other visitors is strictly prohibited.

3. **Preservation of Exhibits and Manners**
    - **Do Not Touch:** Please do not touch any exhibits or display cases.
    - **Quiet Environment:** Running, loud conversations, or any behavior that disturbs others' viewing experience is prohibited.
    - **Entry Restrictions:** Please be aware that we may limit entry during periods of heavy congestion.
    - **Writing Utensils:** Only pencils may be used for notetaking within the galleries.

4. **General Rules**
    - **Mobile Phones:** Please set your phone to silent mode and refrain from making or taking calls indoors.

- **No Smoking:** The entire premises are non-smoking (including e-cigarettes/vaping).
- **Pets:** Pets are not permitted, except for certified service animals (guided dogs, hearing dogs, and service dogs).
- **Large Luggage:** Large items such as strollers and suitcases cannot be taken into the museum. Please use the large coin lockers provided (availability is limited).
- **Umbrellas:** Umbrellas may be brought onto the grounds but are not allowed in the exhibition areas. Please use the umbrella stands located at the entrances.
- **Refusal of Entry:** We reserve the right to refuse entry to anyone who appears intoxicated or whose behavior may disturb other guests.
- **Compliance:** Visitors who fail to follow these guidelines or staff instructions may be asked to leave the premises.
- **Emergencies:** In the event of an emergency, please follow the instructions of the museum staff immediately.
- **Customer harassment:** If you use abusive language, make threats, place excessive demands, or engage in any other form of harassment toward our staff, we may refuse entry or ask you to leave the premises.