## PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO

## OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR



## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 02 Series of 2022

## GUIDELINES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALERT LEVEL THREE (3) IN THE PROVINCE OF ORIENTAL MINDORO

WHEREAS, the Department of Health (DOH) has already detected and confirmed the presence of highly transmissible B.1.1.529 (Omicron) variant of COVID-19 in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, IATF Guidelines on the Nationwide Implementation of Alert Level System for COVID-19 Response, dated December 14, 2021 ("IATF Guidelines"), expressly prohibits the operations of leisure activities in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19 infection:

WHEREAS, during the consultative meeting held on January 11, 2022, the City/Municipal Health Officers (C/MHO) and Oriental Mindoro Medical Association (OMMA) recommended to impose strict but reasonable measures to arrest the drastic increase of COVID-19 cases in Oriental Mindoro:

WHEREAS, from twenty-two (22) active COVID-19 cases on the third week of December 2021, the Provincial Health Office (PHO) has recorded two hundred nineteen (219) active COVID-19 cases on the first week of January 2022;

WHEREAS, on January 12, 2022, the IATF issued Resolution No. 156-C, placing the provinces of Oriental Mindoro and Occidental Mindoro under Alert Level 3 from January 14, 2022 to January 31, 2022;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, HUMERLITO A. DOLOR, MPA, Ph.D., by virtue of the powers vested in me as the Provincial Governor by Section 465(b) (2) (iii), Article One, Chapter 3, Title 4, Book III, Republic Act No.7160, do hereby promulgate this Executive Order as follows:

**SECTION 1. Movement of People Entering the Province of Oriental Mindoro.** Only essential travellers are allowed to enter Oriental Mindoro. For purposes of this Executive Order, term "essential travels" is limited to medical, employment, and humanitarian reasons. In addition to the requirement of essential travel, only the following are allowed to enter Oriental Mindoro:

- a. Fully vaccinated individuals duly equipped with their original vaccination cards.
- b. Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated persons with negative Reverse Transcription Polymerase Chain Reaction (RT-PCR) test result issued within twenty-four (24) hours before travel to Oriental Mindoro.
- c. Drivers and helpers of delivery vehicles transporting goods to, from, and through Oriental Mindoro.
- d. Members of the judiciary whose place of assignment is in Oriental Mindoro, accompanied with one (1) driver or security detail.
- e. Legal and Medical professionals who are practicing their profession in Oriental Mindoro.
- f. Ambulance drivers and medical personnel transporting patients, or returning from their travels.
- g. Persons below eighteen (18) years of age and accompanied by their fully vaccinated parent/s and/or guardian/s. If the parent/s or guardian/s is/are not fully vaccinated, said parent/s and/or guardian/s must present a negative RT-PCR result issued within twentyfour (24) hours before travel to Oriental Mindoro.

Upon arrival at the City/Municipality of destination, travellers shall undergo Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) at his/her own expense. For asymptomatic traveller, home isolation or quarantine in Barangay Isolation Units (BIU) for five (5) consecutive days may substitute the required RAT. If the RAT yields a positive result, the testee shall undergo mandatory isolation for a period provided under **Section 11** of this Executive Order. For this purpose, the City/Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction Office (C/MDRRMO) and/or C/MHO, with the assistance of Barangay Health

Emergency Response Teams (BHERTs), are requested to continually monitor travellers who are required to undergo quarantine or isolation. Corresponding certificate shall be issued by the Barangay Captain after the completion of the advised number of days of isolation or quarantine.

Persons who travelled to Oriental Mindoro due to employment, medical reasons, or humanitarian consideration, and who are about to return to their place of origin, before leaving the province are required to present proof of negative RAT (taken upon arrival), or certificate of quarantine or isolation mentioned in the above paragraph. Persons who will not be able to present said negative RAT or certificate of quarantine or isolation will be charged with violation of Republic Act No. 11332, or the Mandatory Reporting of Notifiable Diseases and Health Events of Public Health Concern Act.

Nothing in this Executive Order shall be construed dispensing with the requirement of approved Safe, Swift, and Smart Passage (S-PaSS) from the City/Municipality of destination. The City/Municipalities are enjoined to only approve S-PaSS applications of persons on essential travels. The S-PaSS approving authority in the component City/Municipality may impose additional requirements as deemed just and necessary.

The foregoing travel requirements are with no prejudice to the additional requirements that may be imposed by the Philippine Ports Authority (PPA) and Local Government Units (LGUs) from neighbour provinces who has jurisdiction over the points of entry/exit to the province of Oriental Mindoro.

SECTION 2. Entry of Tourist from Other Provinces. Only fully vaccinated tourist, with negative Rapid Antigen test result issued within twenty-four (24) hours before travel to Oriental Mindoro, are allowed to enter Oriental Mindoro. Tourists under the age of eighteen (18) and those above the age of sixty-five (65) regardless of vaccination status are not allowed to travel to Oriental Mindoro. Only Department of Tourism (DOT) accredited hotels and resort are allowed to accommodate tourists. Upon arrival of tourists to their hotel, resort, or accommodation, they are required to undergo RAT in accordance with the provisions of Section 1 of this Executive Order.

**SECTION 3. Movement of Cargoes.** Fully vaccinated drivers and helpers of delivery vehicles only are allowed to enter Oriental Mindoro, subject to the following protocols:

- a. Except those residents of Oriental Mindoro, drivers and helpers are not allowed to alight their vehicles except for emergency situations.
- b. Only two (2) persons are allowed for vans (e.g. Grandia, Urvan, and L300).
- c. Only three (3) persons are allowed for four-wheel delivery trucks.
- d. Only four (4) persons are allowed for six-wheel delivery trucks.

Unvaccinated or partly-vaccinated drivers and helpers are only allowed to transport their goods up to the province's port of entries, or to pass through Oriental Mindoro *en route* to another province. Except during emergencies, unvaccinated and partially vaccinated drivers and helpers are not allowed to alight from their vehicle.

**SECTION 4. Intra-zonal Movement within the Province.** The intra-zonal movement of persons in Oriental Mindoro shall be governed by the following protocols:

- a. Fully vaccinated individuals can freely travel to and from different city/municipalities.
- b. Persons below eighteen (18) years old and those above sixty-five (65) years old, regardless of vaccination status, and unvaccinated individuals are only allowed to travel to and from different city/municipalities for the following purposes:
  - a. Employment,
  - b. Medical reasons.
  - c. Acquisition of food and medicines, and
  - d. Vaccine administration.

The National Government Agencies (NGAs) that have field offices in Oriental Mindoro are requested to limit the movement of their unvaccinated and partially vaccinated personnel to only one place of assignment.

**SECTION 5. Prohibited Activities and Establishments.** Based on A (2) of the IATF Resolution No. 155, series of 2021, dated 31 December 2021, the following establishments and/or activities are **prohibited**, to wit:

- a. Contact sports, except those conducted under a bubble-type setup as provided for under relevant guidelines adopted by the IATF, Games and Amusement Board, and Philippine Sports Commission. Contact sports shall include, but are not limited to: basketball, football, volleyball, boxing, taekwondo, karatedo, and muay thai.
- b. Funfairs/ peryas and kid amusement industries such as playgrounds, playroom, and kiddie rides. Gaming arcades whether in enclosed or open spaces are likewise prohibited.
- c. Venues with live voice or wind-instrument performers and audiences, such as in *karaoke* bars, clubs, concert halls, and live performances in theatres.
- d. Casinos, cock-fighting and operation of cockpits, lottery and betting shops, and other gaming establishments, except those which are specifically authorized by the IATF or of Office of the President. The term betting shops and gaming establishments shall include all gambling and/or gaming activities where the dealers, players, and gaming machines are situated on one area, and require the gathering of people.
- e. Gatherings in residences with individuals not belonging to the same household; except for funeral and necrological services.
- f. Operations of movie houses and cinemas.
- g. Fiestas, anniversaries, foundation days, motorcades, and parades.
- h. Religious gatherings celebrated outside the church, chapel, and mosque building.

The component City/Municipalities which has jurisdiction over the above-enumerated prohibited activities are enjoined to issue Orders/Memoranda which it would deemed necessary to ensure the full implementation of this provision.

The Philippine National Police, through the Provincial Police Office ("PPO"), City/Municipal Police Stations ("C/MPS"), and Criminal Investigation and Detection Group – Oriental Mindoro ("CIDG") are called upon to enforce the temporary closure of the above prohibited establishments.

**SECTION 6. Allowed Activities and Establishments.** The following activities, shall be allowed to operate, or be undertaken at a maximum of thirty percent (30%) indoor venue capacity and fifty percent (50%) outdoor venue capacity for **fully vaccinated individuals**:

- a. Venues for formal/ social events venues for meetings, incentives, conferences, exhibitions, parties, wedding receptions, engagement parties, wedding anniversaries, debut and birthday parties, family reunions, and bridal or baby showers.
- b. Venues for recreational activities venues such as internet cafes, billiard halls, bowling alleys, skating rinks, archery halls, and swimming pools.
- c. Dine-in services of food preparation establishments such as kiosks, commissaries, restaurants, and eateries.
- Venues for grooming and physical fitness personal care establishments such as barbershops, hair spas, hair salons, and nail spas, and those offering aesthetic/cosmetic

services or procedures, make-up services, salons, spas, reflexology, fitness studios, gyms, and venues for individual non-contact exercise and sports, subject to DTI sector-specific protocols.

- e. Tourist attractions and venues for leisure activities venues such as libraries, archives, museums, galleries, exhibits, parks, plazas, public gardens, scenic viewpoints or overlooks, amusement parks or theme parks and the like.
- f. Accommodation establishments only hotels, motels, transient houses, resorts and similar establishments accredited by the Department of Tourism (DOT) shall be allowed to accommodate quests.
- g. In-person religious gatherings; gatherings for necrological services, wakes, inurnment, and funerals for those who died of causes other than COVID-19, and for the cremated remains of person who died due to COVID-19 complications.

Unvaccinated, partially vaccinated individuals, and persons below eighteen (18) years old and those above sixty-five (65) years old regardless of vaccination status, are not allowed in the above enumerated activities.

The business owners and/or managers are encouraged to implement necessary measures and policies to encourage their staffs and personnel to be vaccinated.

**SECTION 7. Essential Mass Gatherings.** Only essential mass gatherings are allowed. For purposes of this Executive Order, "essential mass gatherings" shall be limited to assembly of people in a particular place for purposes of governance, prevention of the spread of COVID-19, and delivery of social services. Participants of essential mass gathering must be fully vaccinated, and must be limited to thirty percent (30%) of the carrying capacity of in-door venues, and fifty percent (50%) of carrying capacity of out-door venues.

**SECTION 8. Designation of Safety Officers.** All government offices and private businesses establishments are required to designate at least one (1) Safety Officer. The latter shall undergo regular briefings on matters of safety and mitigating measures against the possible spread of COVID-19. The Safety Officer shall ensure that except for purposes of **employment, medical reasons, and acquisition of essential goods**, only fully vaccinated individuals will be allowed within the establishment's premises.

**SECTION 9. Operational Capacity of Public Offices.** Except for government hospitals and detention facilities, all PGOM offices, agencies, and instrumentalities shall be at least sixty percent (60%) on-site capacity. The heads of offices, subject to the approval of the Provincial Human Resources and Management Office ("PHRMO"), are required to devise work-from-home and other flexible work arrangements which are suited to their offices.

SECTION 10. No vaccine, No transaction policy. Except for medical and social services, PGOM will only transact with fully vaccinated individuals. Only fully vaccinated ambulatory vendors and delivery personnel are allowed within the premises of PGOM offices.

In PGOM owned and operated hospitals, only fully vaccinated individuals are allowed to act as patient's watcher. One Patient One Watcher and No Visitor polices will also be implemented.

The policy of No Dalaw will also be implemented in all PGOM Detention Facilities.

**SECTION 11.** Local quarantine and isolation periods. As per Department of Health (DOH) Administrative Order and IATF Resolution No. 155, series of 2021, dated 31 December 2021, local quarantine and isolation periods are as follows:

a. Probable case (with symptoms) or mild case:

- Fully vaccinated seven (7) days, and
- Partially vaccinated or unvaccinated ten (10) days.
- b. Asymptomatic case:
  - Fully vaccinated seven (7) days from the date of testing.
  - Partially vaccinated or unvaccinated ten (10) days from the date of testing.
- c. Moderate case: Regardless of vaccination status ten (10) days from the onset of symptoms.
- d. Close contact and can possibly develop infection:
  - > Fully vaccinated five (5) days, and
  - Partially vaccinated or unvaccinated fourteen (14) days.

SECTION 12. Implementation. City/Municipalities are hereby ordered to implement all provisions of this Executive Order within their respective jurisdiction. Nothing in this Executive Order will be construed to have deprived other Local Government Units of their authority to enact their respective policies for the implementation of Alert Level 3 within their respective territorial jurisdictions; provided that such issuances are not in conflict or derogation of this Executive Order.

The Philippine National Police, through the PPO and C/MPS are called upon to establish checkpoints and ensure that only persons allowed in this Executive Order are permitted to travel to and from city/municipalities. The Philippine National Police are likewise directed to conduct visibility patrols inside malls and public places to ensure the faithful implementation of this Executive Order.

The Barangays through the intercession of the Department of Interior and Local Government ("DILG") are directed to activate their Barangay Monitoring Stations ("BMS"). The BMS shall:

- a. Ensure that except for employment, medical reasons, and acquisition of essential goods, persons below eighteen (18) years old are not allowed on public places.
- b. Under the direction of the Barangay Captain monitor the conduct of allowable activities.
- c. Assist the PNP in preventing the conduct of prohibited activities.

SECTION 13. Provincial Vaccination Day. To boost the protection of every Oriental Mindoreños from the threat of COVID-19, there shall be a province wide vaccination on January 20-21, 2022. Thursday and Friday, in public hospitals and places to be determined by the Provincial Health Office. Medical doctors and nurses from both public and private hospitals are encouraged to participate in the province wide roll-out of vaccines.

Government and private offices are encouraged to adopt flexible and lenient work arrangements for their staff: / employees who shall have COVID-19 vaccines inoculation on the said date.

SECTION 14. Penalty. Any person who shall present or use falsified documentary requirements in his/her S-PaSS application shall be criminally prosecuted. Any violation of the provisions of this Executive Order may lead to legal actions against any person/ entity.

SECTION 15. Residual Authority. The Governor shall retain residual authority to allow entry of travellers to Oriental Mindoro for humanitarian consideration.

SECTION 16. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is found to be unconstitutional or inconsistent with any national or local laws, ordinances, or resolutions, all the other provisions thereof shall remain in full force and applicable.

SECTION 17. Repealing Clause. All executive orders, rules, and regulations or parts thereof issued by the Provincial Government of Oriental Mindoro inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby amended, repealed and/or modified accordingly.

SECTION 18. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect immediately upon approval until necessary Executive Order modifying or repealing the same is issued.

DONE IN THE CITY OF CALAPAN, ORIENTAL MINDORO, this 13th day, of January in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand Twenty Two.

HUMERLITO A. DOLOR, MPA, Ph.D. Provincial Governor