



REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES
INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE
FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

RESOLUTION NO. 43

Series of 2020

June 3, 2020

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2020, to develop a science-based approach in determining the risk-based classification of areas in the country, the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) convened a sub-Technical Working Group tasked to develop the LGU Epidemic Response Framework and to define parameters in assessing recent developments in the Philippine COVID-19 situation;

WHEREAS, on April 30, 2020, the Office of the Executive Secretary issued Executive Order (E.O.) No. 112 Imposing an Enhanced Community Quarantine in High-Risk Geographic Areas of the Philippines and a General Community Quarantine in the Rest of The Country from 01 To 15 May 2020, Adopting The Omnibus Guidelines On The Implementation Thereof, And For Other Purposes;

WHEREAS, on May 23, 2020, pursuant to the authority granted to the IATF under E.O. 112, the IATF issued and published amended Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of the Community Quarantine in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, as of June 03, 2020, there is a total of Nineteen Thousand Seven Hundred Forty-Eight (19,748) confirmed cases in the Philippines;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, as it is hereby resolved, that the IATF approves the following:

A. Upon review of the IATF Technical Working Group, the following amendments/revisions to the Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines are hereby approved:

1. Introduction of the term “Accommodation Establishments” which shall be defined as follows:

Accommodation Establishments - refers to an establishment operating primarily for accommodation purposes including, but not limited to, hotels, resorts, apartment hotels, tourist inns, motels, pension houses, private homes used for homestay, ecolodges, serviced apartments, condotels, and bed and breakfast facilities.

2. Amendments to Sections [2], [3], and [4] Guidelines for areas placed under Enhanced, Modified Enhanced, and General Community Quarantine, respectively, to allow only hotels with Department of Tourism Certificate of Authority to operate:



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No hotels or accommodation establishments shall be allowed to operate, except those accommodating the following:

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Provided that accommodation establishments may operate only upon the issuance of a Certificate of Authority to operate by the DOT; Provided further, that in all of the foregoing, hotel operations shall be limited to the provision of basic accommodation services to guests through an in-house skeleton workforce. Ancillary establishments within the premises, such as restaurants, cafés, bars, gyms, spas, and the like, shall not be allowed to operate or to provide room service; Provided finally, that accommodation establishments may prepare: (a) packed meals for distribution to guests who opt for the same; and (b) food orders for take-out and delivery only.

3. Amendments to Section [4] Guidelines for Areas Placed under General Community Quarantine:

a. Paragraph (13) shall be amended and shall be read as follows:

Outdoor non-contact sports and other forms of exercise such as but not limited to walking, jogging, running, biking, golf, swimming, tennis, badminton, equestrian, range shooting, and skateboarding are allowed. Provided, that the minimum public health standards such as the wearing of masks and the maintenance of social distancing protocols, and no sharing of equipment where applicable, are observed. Provided, further, that operations of the relevant clubhouses or similar establishments, if any, shall be limited to basic operations. For this purpose, the prohibition in Section 4(3) does not apply.

4. Amendments to Section [5] Guidelines for Areas Placed under Modified General Community Quarantine:

a. Paragraph (2) on movement of persons to be read as follows:

The movement of all persons in areas placed under MGCO shall be limited to accessing essential goods and services, for work in the offices or industries permitted to operate hereunder, and for other activities permitted under this Section.

b. Insertion of new paragraph (3) as follows:



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Any person below twenty-one (21) years old, those who are sixty (60) years old and above, those with immunodeficiency, comorbidity, or other health risks, and pregnant women shall be required to remain in their residences at all times; Provided that all activities and movements allowed under other Sections of these Guidelines for the foregoing persons shall continue to be permitted under MGCQ.

- c. Paragraph 3 shall be amended and renumbered as Paragraph 4 and shall be read as follows:

*Indoor and outdoor non-contact sports and other forms of exercise such as but not limited to walking, jogging, running, biking, golf, swimming, tennis, badminton, equestrian, **range shooting**, and skateboarding are allowed. Provided, that the minimum public health standards such as the wearing of masks and the maintenance of social distancing protocols, and no sharing of equipment where applicable, are observed. **For this purpose, the prohibition in Section 5(3) does not apply.***

- d. Paragraph 4 shall be amended and renumbered as Paragraph 5 and shall be read as follows:

*Mass gatherings such as but not limited to, movie screenings, concerts, sporting events, and other entertainment activities, **religious services**, and **work conferences** shall be allowed provided that participants shall be limited to **fifty percent (50%) of the seating or venue capacity.***

- e. Paragraph 5 shall be amended and renumbered as Paragraph 6 and shall be read as follows:

***Limited** face-to-face or in-person classes may be conducted in HEIs provided there is strict compliance with minimum public health standards, consultation with local government units, and compliance with guidelines set by CHED. HEI activities that involve mass gathering of students shall continue to be prohibited.*

For K-12 Basic Education, the Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan of the DepEd shall be adopted.

For this purpose, the prohibition in Section 5(3) does not apply.

- f. Paragraph 10 shall be renumbered as Paragraph 11 allowing only hotels with DOT Certificate of Authority to operate under MGCQ, and further ensuring that



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only those with DOT accreditation will be granted business permits or renewal thereof pursuant to DILG Circular 2019-17. The provision shall now be read as follows:

*Except as otherwise provided below, all permitted establishments and activities under **Categories I, II and III** of Section 4(6) and those in previous Sections of these Omnibus Guidelines shall be allowed to operate or be undertaken at full operational capacity:*

- a. Barber shops, salons, and other personal care service establishments, at a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of venue capacity;
 - b. Dine-in restaurants, fast food and food retail establishments, including those in supermarkets, grocery stores, and food preparation establishments, at a maximum of fifty percent (50%) of seating capacity
 - c. Category IV and all other establishments not permitted to operate under previous Sections of these Guidelines, at a maximum of fifty percent (50%) operational capacity. However, for hotels and other accommodation establishments, only those accredited as provided by law and relevant DOT and DILG issuances may operate, and only upon issuance of a Certificate of Authority to operate by the DOT. For this purpose, DOT and DILG shall work with LGUs to ensure compliance of accommodation establishments.
5. Amendments to paragraphs (4) and (5) of Section [7] Guidelines for Interzonal and Intrazonal Movement to emphasize that there should be no tourism-related travel between GCQ and areas where no community quarantine is in place; and that travel for tourism purposes between areas under MGCQ to areas where no community quarantine is in place, while allowed, are still subject to regulations. These shall be read as follows:
 - (4) *Movement to and from an area placed under GCQ to an area where no community quarantine is in place shall be permitted, except for the sole purpose of leisure.*
 - (5) *The movement of persons for any purpose across areas placed under MGCQ and areas where no community quarantine is in place shall be permitted, but insofar as tourism travel is concerned, the same may still be subject to regulations of the LGU concerned or in the case of Boracay Island, the Boracay Inter-Agency Task Force (BIATF).*
6. Other minor typographical corrections referring to style and numberings are hereby amended accordingly.




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- B. The IATF adopts COVID-KAYA as the convergent Epidemiological Surveillance system for COVID-19 case contact traced and/or monitored in all healthcare and testing facilities.

For this purpose, all cases monitored, and attendant test results and health status/outcomes from DOH-accredited COVID-19 testing facilities, temporary treatment and monitoring facilities, and hospitals shall be electronically submitted to COVID-KAYA on a daily basis to facilitate accurate national reporting. Case Investigation Forms entered in COVID-KAYA shall be used as the official source of COVID-19-related information for the effective streamlining of data used in analysis and evidence-based decision-making.

APPROVED during the 43rd Inter-Agency Task Force Meeting, as reflected in the minutes of the meeting, held this 3rd of June 2020 *via* video conference.


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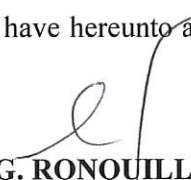
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CERTIFICATION

This is to certify that:

1. I am presently an Assistant Secretary of the Department of Health;
2. I am the designated Head of the Secretariat of the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) on the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases created under Executive Order No. 168, series of 2014 and chaired by the Department of Health (DOH);
3. The IATF Secretariat holds office in the DOH Main Office, San Lazaro Compound, Tayuman, Sta. Cruz, Manila;
4. I am the custodian of the records of the IATF, including the Minutes of Meetings and Resolutions;
5. In the Regular Meeting of the IATF held on 3 JUNE 2020 via teleconference during which a quorum was present and acted throughout, IATF Resolution No. 43 was unanimously approved and adopted;
6. The foregoing resolution has been signed by Secretary Francisco T. Duque III, Secretary Roy A. Cimatu, and Cabinet Secretary Karlo Alexei B. Nograles upon authority of the IATF Members;
7. The aforesaid resolution has not been altered, modified nor revoked and the same is now in full force and effect;
8. I am executing this Certification for whatever legitimate purpose this may serve.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto affixed my signature this 3rd day of June 2020, Manila.


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