



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 020
Series of 2021

AN ORDER ADOPTING THE INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASE (IATF-MEID) RESOLUTION NO. 104 SERIES OF 2021 DATED MARCH 20, 2021 FOR AREAS PLACED UNDER GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (GCQ)

WHEREAS, Section 15 Article II of the 1987 constitution states that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 168, series of 2014 created the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) to facilitate inter-sectoral collaboration to establish preparedness and ensure efficient government response to assess, monitor, contain, control, and prevent the spread of any potential epidemic in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, Section 5.2 of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) Memorandum Circular No. 2020-023 dated February 6, 2020 states that "*All LGUs, in carrying out their respective roles, should ensure that their actions are anchored on, and cognizant of, the protocols, measures and information provided by the Department of Health*";

WHEREAS, Pursuant to DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020-0062 in compliance with the Memorandum from the Executive Secretary of the office of the President signed on March 16, 2020, the Local Government Unit of Los Baños protects the health and safety of the community of the Municipality of Los Baños in providing guidelines for COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the continued implementation of proactive measures is necessary to ensure the utmost protection of the health of the Filipino people;

WHEREAS, Municipal Health Officer, Dr. Alvin A. Isidoro, reported that the age bracket of 22 to 29 has the highest cases of the disease and the number of senior citizens who are affected is also increasing. Community transmission is still the main cause of COVID-19 infection in our town;

NOW THEREFORE, I, ANTONIO L. KALAW, Municipal Mayor of the Municipality of Los Baños, Province of Laguna, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue this executive order adopting the IATF-MEID RESOLUTION NO. 104 SERIES OF 2021 dated March 20, 2021 for Areas placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ), to wit:

SECTION 1. The Municipality of Los Baños shall adhere to the following GCQ guidelines:

1. Only essential travel into and out of the municipality shall be allowed. Public Transportation shall remain to be operational at such capacities and protocols in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Transportation. The use of active transportation (e.g. bicycles) shall likewise be promoted;

2. All mass gatherings including religious gatherings shall be prohibited. The holding of face-to-face meetings are highly discouraged and as an alternative, virtual meetings is highly encouraged;
3. Holding of weddings, baptisms and funeral services shall be limited to ten (10) persons;
4. Curfew shall be imposed between ten o'clock in the evening to five o'clock in the morning (10:00 PM 5:00 AM). Workers, cargo vehicles and public transportation, however, shall not be restricted by such curfew;
5. Persons above 65 years old may be allowed for outdoor non-contact sports and other forms of outdoor exercises;
6. Persons with Disability (PWD) may be allowed outdoors for their therapy as well as for outdoor non-contact sports.

SECTION 2. Restaurants, cafes, and establishments shall be limited to delivery and take-out, and the operation of outdoor restaurants shall have a maximum fifty percent (50%) capacity limit.

1. Outdoor or al fresco dining shall be allowed provided that additional engineering and administrative controls are put in place such as but not limited to placing of acrylic or similar dividers and limiting to two persons per table with appropriate seating arrangements (one seat-apart in a diagonal configuration). All food establishments shall strictly comply with the guidelines and minimum public health standards provided by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) and the Department of Health (DOH).

SECTION 3. Require visitors or returning residents of the Municipality of Los Baños to secure a Medical Certificate from the health office of the LGU of origin.

- a. The medical certificate is a requirement from clients of resorts and/or hotels, new workers, and students;
- b. The medical certificate must be submitted to the Barangay Health Center upon the arrival in the municipality.

SECTION 4. OTHER PROVISIONS.

1. Non-contact sports such as badminton and tennis can operate at a maximum of fifty percent (50%) capacity by appointment. No sharing of equipment, no spectators and no doubles shall be allowed. Minimum public health protocols such as obligatory wearing of face mask and disinfection of the area shall be observed.
2. Private resorts and other accredited establishments of the Department of Tourism are allowed to operate and receive clients/visitors between eighteen (18) to sixty-five (65) years old, ten (10) persons only from the same household with medical certificate to be checked and monitored by the Barangay concerned and random checking of the resort by the Public Safety Office (PSO).

3. Personal care services such as salon, derma, and massage parlor shall be reduced to a maximum of fifty percent (50%) capacity of the venue provided that the said establishments shall strictly comply with the guidelines and minimum public health standards provided by the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).
4. The use of face mask to suppress transmission and face shield to provide full face protection shall still be made mandatory in all public places and business establishments.
5. Any person below eighteen (18) and above sixty-five (65) years old shall be required to remain in their residences at all times.
6. Selling and distribution of alcoholic beverages shall only be allowed until eight o'clock in the evening (8:00 PM).
7. Use of the LBLAB ID and/or QR code shall still be required upon entering any establishments within the municipality.
8. Sari –Sari store shall be restricted to operate from 5:00 am to 10:00pm only following the implementation of curfew hour.
9. Malls, public market, grocery stores and other establishments shall be restricted to operate 5:00 am to 10:00 pm only.
10. Other establishments that are allowed to operate 24-hours based on the nature of its business and the permit issued by the proper authority, subject to the observance of minimum health protocols, may continue to do so.
11. Isolation and monitoring of suspect, probable, and confirmed cases shall be strictly observed, following the guidelines and policies issued by appropriate authorities.
12. Contacts of suspect cases and travellers shall be notified and advised to self-monitor and will be placed under strict home quarantine.
13. Illegal Gambling such as Cockfighting or "tupada" is still prohibited.
14. Alternative work arrangement may be adapted if deemed proper in accordance with the relevant rules and regulations issued by the Civil Service Commission (CSC) to protect the health and safety of the employees of the Municipal Government of Los Baños.
15. Online registration for COVID-19 VACCINATION using the Google Form in the municipality.
16. Implementation of curfew from 10:00 pm to 5:00am for non-authorized persons outside their residences (NON-APOR).
17. Zoning Containment Strategy LGUs will be able to design and implement interventions that do not cause enormous strain to economies, follows the National Task Force on COVID-19's Prevent-Detect-Isolate-Treatment-Reintegration (PDITR) strategy. It is applied to identify focused areas for implementation of varying levels of quarantine, depending on the risk and stage of transmission prevalent in the area by the local task forces according to the

directives stated in Executive Order No. 112 s. 2020 and the IATF-EID Resolution No. 37 s. 2020.

18. The Municipal Government of Los Baños shall monitor and implement regulatory measures herein provided and shall order immediate or temporary closure of establishments found to be in violation of any provision of these guidelines.
19. All Punong Barangays are directed to oversee the implementation of these guidelines within their respective areas of jurisdiction, subject to compliance with existing laws, rules, and regulations.
20. The Municipal Police Station (MPS), Bureau of Fire Protection (BFP), Bureau of Jail (BJMP), the Los Baños Traffic Management Office (LBTMO) Municipal Risk Reduction and Management Officer (MDRRMO), Barangay Health Officer (MHO), Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT) shall continue to provide the needed services and assistance for full and effective implementation of these guidelines.

SECTION 5. REPEALING CLAUSE. All other issuances, order, and memorandum which are inconsistent herewith are hereby amended or repealed accordingly.

SECTION 6. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. If, for any reasons, any part or provision of this order be declared invalid, any part or provisions not affected thereby, shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY. This order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force until lifted or amended by another order or superseded by law or ordinance.

Done this 23rd of March 2021 at the New Municipal Bldg. of the Municipality of Los Baños, Province of Laguna.


HON. ANTONIO L. KALAW
Municipal Mayor 