

### Series of 2022

### "GUIDELINES AND PROTOCOLS FOR THE REOPENING OF TOURISM DESTINATIONS FOR LOCAL, DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN TOURISTS IN THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO"

WHEREAS, the Department of Tourism issued Memorandum Circular No. 2020-003 also known as "Health and Safety Guidelines Governing the Operations of Tourist Land Transport Services Under the New Normal;"

WHEREAS, the Department of Tourism issued Memorandum Circular No. 2020-004-A providing for "Amended Health and Safety Guidelines Governing the Operation of DOT-Accredited Restaurants Under the New Normal;"

WHEREAS, the Department of Tourism issued Memorandum Circular No. 2020-008 also known as "Health and Safety Guidelines Governing the Operations of Travel and Tour Agencies and Tour Guides Under the New Normal;"

WHEREAS, the Department of Tourism issued Memorandum Circular No. 2020-011 providing for "Health and Safety Guidelines Governing the Operations of Tourist Attractions Such as Parks, Natural Sites, Historical Landmarks, and Amusements Under the New Normal;"

WHEREAS, the Philippine Commission on Sports and Scuba Diving Issued Memorandum Circular No. 2021-002 providing for "Amended Health and Safety Guidelines Governing the Operations of Dive Establishments and Liveboard Dive Boats in the New Normal;"

WHEREAS, the President of the Philippines issued Executive Order no. 151 "Approving the Nationwide Implementation of the Alert Level System for COVID-19 Response;"

WHEREAS, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease issued Resolution No. 148-B and Resolution No. 149, s. 2021, requiring all employees who are tasked to go on-site work to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and those who are required to undergo regular RT-PCR test at their own expense;

WHEREAS, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease issued the Guidelines on Alert Level System Community Quarantine Qualification and Resolution No. 149-C, s. 2021 placing MIMAROPA Region under Alert Level 2;

WHEREAS, the Department of Tourism issued Advisory No. 16 s. 2021 providing for "Operational Guidelines On Tourism-Related Activities for The Implementation of the Alert Levels System for COVID-19 Response in The Pilot Areas;"

**WHEREAS,** the Department of Tourism issued Administrative Order No. 2022-001 providing for "Guidelines on the Operation of Hotels and Other Accommodation Establishments Under the Alert Levels System for COVID-19;"





WHEREAS, the Provincial Government issued Executive Order No. 7-E, s. 2021 providing for Travel Protocol and Guidelines for purposes of travel into, outside or within the province of Occidental Mindoro;

WHEREAS, the Provincial Government issued Executive Order No. 12, series of 2022 providing for an Order Imposing Alert Level 2 System in the Province of Occidental Mindoro Starting March 16, 2022 to March 31, 2022;

WHEREAS, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease issued Resolution No. 160-B providing for "The New Entry, Testing and Quarantine Protocols for Foreign Nationals Arriving from Abroad, Effective 0001H of 10 February 2022;"

**WHEREAS,** with the *decreasing COVID-19 cases* and increasing number of vaccinated individuals, it is high time that the province gradually reopens its tourism destinations for domestic and local tourists as this will allow our tourism industry and its stakeholders to jumpstart recovery from the adverse effects of COVID-19.

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, EDUARDO B. GADIANO**, Governor, Province of Occidental Mindoro, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

### Section 1. COVERAGE.

This Executive Order shall cover all persons travelling point-to-point to the province of Occidental Mindoro whether by land, air or sea. These persons are ordinary travelers that may be classified either as Local Tourists, Domestic Tourists, or Foreign Tourists.

### Section 2. DEFINITION OF TERMS.

- Accommodation Establishments refer to establishments operating primarily for accommodation purposes including, but not limited to, hotels, resorts, apartment hotels, mabuhay accommodation establishments (e.g. tourist inns, motels, pension houses, bed and breakfast, and vacation homes), private homes used for homestay, ecolodges, serviced apartments and condotels. "Accommodation Establishments" shall be interchangeable with "Hotels." (DOT AO No. 2022-001)
- Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT) refers to a team established by DILG MC No. 2020-23 to help implement local prevention and mitigation, preparedness, and, response measures for COVID-19. (DOH and DILG JAO No. 2020-0001)
- 3. COVID-19 Alert Level System refers to the new Community Quarantine Classifications for dealing with COVID-19 covering entire cities and/or municipalities; aimed to manage and minimize the risk of the disease through System Indicators, Triggers and Thresholds determined by the IATF Sub-Technical Working Group on Data Analytics to specify the public health and social measures to be taken in relation to the COVID-19 response, as may be updated based on new scientific knowledge, information about the effectiveness of control measures in the country and overseas, and its application.



- a. Alert Level 1 refers to areas wherein case transmission is low and decreasing, total bed utilization rate, and intensive care unit utilization is low.
- b. Alert Level 2 refers to areas wherein cases transmission is low and decreasing, healthcare utilization is low, or case counts are low but increasing, or case counts are low and decreasing but total bed utilization rate and intensive care unit utilization rate is increasing.
- c. Alert Level 3 refers to areas wherein case counts are high and/or increasing, with total bed utilization rate and intensive care unit utilization rate at increasing utilization.
- d. Alert Level 4 refers to areas wherein case counts are high and/or increasing, with total bed utilization rate and intensive care unit utilization rate at high utilization.
- e. Alert Level 5 refers to areas wherein case counts are alarming, with total bed utilization rate and intensive care unit utilization rate at critical utilization. (DOT AO No. 2022-001)
- 4. *Domestic Tourist* resident of the Philippines, including foreign nationals residing therein, who are traveling to the province.
- 5. DOT Accreditation shall refer to a certification issued by the DOT to an Accommodation Establishment that officially recognizes it as having complied with the minimum standards for the operation of tourism facilities and services. (DOT AO No. 2022-001)
- Foreign Tourist refers to foreign persons or citizen of other countries who are traveling
  to the province, admitted under tourist visas, if required, for purposes of leisure,
  recreation or holiday.
- Fully Vaccinated Individual shall refer to an individual who has been fully vaccinated for COVID-19. An individual shall be considered fully vaccinated for COVID-19:
  - a. More than or equal to two (2) weeks after having received the second dose of COVID-19 vaccine in a 2-dose series; or
  - More than or equal to (2) weeks after having received a single-dose COVID-19 vaccine.

The vaccines administered to the individual are included in any of the following:

- i. Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) List or Compassionate Special Permit (CSP) issued by the Philippine Food and Drug Administration; or
- ii. Emergency Use Listing of the World Health Organization. (DOT AO No. 2022-001)
- 8. Local Tourist resident of the province, including foreign nationals residing therein, who are traveling within his/her province of residence. It includes returning residents and returning Overseas Filipinos who are residents of the province.



- 9. Liveaboard Dive Boat refers to any motor-run or sail operated boat with live-aboard facilities used for scuba diving purposes. (PCSSD AO No. 2021-001)
- 10. Minimum Public Health Standards refer to the local guidelines on mitigation measures for its COVID-19 response across all settings by implementing non-pharmaceutical interventions (NPIs), consistent with the Department of Health (DOH) Administrative Order No. 2021-0043 or the Omnibus Guidelines on the Minimum Public Health Standards for the Safe Reopening of Institutions. This term shall also encompass specific NPIs of community mitigation strategies or public health measures that do not involve vaccines, medications, or other pharmaceutical interventions, that individuals and communities can carry out in order to reduce transmission rates, contact rates, and the duration of infectiousness of individuals in the population. (Guidelines on the Operation of Accommodation Establishments under the Alert Level System for COVID-19, as of 14 December 2021)
- 11. Point-to-Point Travel shall mean travel where transfers, as well as pit stops or stopovers for eating and personal necessities, are allowed, but no side trips to other tourism destinations shall be permitted. (DOT AO No. 2021-007)
- 12. RT-PCR Test or Reverse Transcription Polymerase Chain Reaction Test refers to a PCR test designed to detect, measure and study RNA viruses. (DOH AO No. 2020-0014)
- 13. S-PaSS (Safe, Swift and Smart Passage) is a travel management system that can facilitate local travel where the public can access information on travel restrictions implemented by different Local Government Units (LGU) due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Travelers can check the travel restrictions of their destination through <a href="https://s-pass.ph">https://s-pass.ph</a>.
- 14. Sanitation Kits these kits include items such as hand soap, rubbing alcohol, hand sanitizer, and alike, which are intended to keep one's body instantly clean.
- 15. Staycation refers to an activity involving a minimum of an oversight stay for leisure purposes in a Staycation Hotel within one's area or region. (DOT AO No. 2021-005)
- 16. StaySafe.PH is the Philippines official health condition reporting, contact tracing, and social distancing system that empowers the public in the fight against COVID-19. The system, which is made available in desktop and mobile version, aims to complement the management of COVID-19 cases, to remind individuals in observing physical distancing measures, to record and monitor individual's COVID-19 symptoms, and to augment manual contact tracing processes.
- 17. Tour Operator refers to any person or entity engaged in the business of inbound and/or local tour operation such as organizing and/or conducting tours as well as making online reservations, arranging and booking for transportation and accommodation for a fee, commission, or any form of remuneration. (DOT AO No. 2001-006)
- 18. Tourist Attraction refers to a place of interest where tourists visit, typically for its inherent and/or exhibited natural or cultural value, historical significance, natural or manmade features, offering leisure and education. (DOT MC No. 2021-001)



### Section 3. PERMITTED ACTIVITIES OR ESTABLISHMENTS.

The following provisions are in accordance with the Alert Level 2 Community Quarantine Qualification for the province of Occidental Mindoro.

Only listed destinations and accredited Accommodations Establishments in the province may accept guests for Point-to-Point leisure travel from areas under Alert Level 4 subject to certain limitations, and areas under Alert Level 3, 2 and 1 subject to limitations provided in Section 4 of this Order. Point-to-point leisure travel from areas under Level 5 shall not be permitted.

Visitor or Tourist attractions such as libraries, archives, museums, galleries, exhibits, parks, plazas, public gardens, scenic viewpoints or overlooks, and the like, shall be allowed to operate, or be undertaken at a maximum of 50% indoor venue capacity for fully vaccinated individuals and those below 18 years of age, even if unvaccinated, and 70% outdoor venue capacity. Provided, that all workers/employees of these establishments are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and Minimum Public Health Standards shall be strictly maintained. Provided further, that there is no objection from the LGU where these activities may take place.

### Section 4. TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS TO THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO.

Any person may undertake Point-to-Point leisure travel, except those:

- a) With immunodeficiencies, comorbidities, or other health risks;
- b) Pregnant women; and
- c) Other persons as may be determined by the Municipal LGU to be having health risks.

### Section 5. DISCRETION OF MUNICIPAL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS.

Notwithstanding the provisions of the foregoing and succeeding sections, the opening and operations of Tourist Attractions and destinations and interzonal travel thereto shall be subject to applicable restrictions, rules or ordinances of the Municipal LGU where the Tourist Attraction is located; Provided that such rules or ordinances shall not disregard the minimum restrictions and minimum public health standards imposed under this Order or by the IATF-EID and DOT. In addition, the municipal LGU must inform the Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro (PGOM) thru the Provincial Tourism Office of the Tourist Attractions and destinations to be reopened.

### Section 6. STEPS AND PROCEDURES FOR LOCAL TOURISTS.

- A. Local Tourists are allowed to tour in the different tourist attractions and destinations within the province provided that they comply with the following requirements:
  - 1. Vaccination Card and/or vaccination certificate, if any;
  - 2. Valid Identification Card bearing photo and signature;



- B. Local Tourists shall also be subject to the following health and safety protocols:
  - Must undergo clinical and exposure assessment conducted by medical team of the Accommodation Establishment, Tour Operator/Municipal Tourism Office;
  - Must wear of facemasks and face shields if necessary, and must observe physical distancing;
  - 3. Must follow of all local tourism policies, health and safety protocols that are being implemented including but not limited to avoiding close contact, often cleaning of hands, and wearing facemask. Tourists who are found to have symptoms will not be allowed to enter the LGU of destination and/or tourism destination. They shall be immediately isolated and turned over to health care management of the Municipal Health Office or the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT);
  - Must use contactless payment options, if necessary, to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission;
  - 5. Must update StaySafe.PH and/or daily health declaration form;
  - 6. Must carry with them their own sanitation kit.

### Section 7. STEPS AND PROCEDURES FOR DOMESTIC TOURISTS.

### **BEFORE TRAVEL**

The following steps and procedure must strictly be complied with by domestic tourists:

- Book the accommodation with DOT-Accredited Accommodation Establishment/ Arrange
  the itinerary with DOT-Accredited Tour Operators or coordinate with Municipal Tourism
  Office at least one (1) week before the scheduled trip. Do-It-Yourself (DIY) tour is
  prohibited.
- 2. Prior to travel to the province, tourists are required to register with S-PaSS and upload the required documents specified hereunder at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the date of travel to generate the QR Code:

### A. For fully-vaccinated individuals:

- a) COVID-19 domestic vaccination card duly issued by a legitimate vaccinating establishment/authority whether local or foreign or certificate of quarantine completion showing the holder's vaccination status as may be issued by the Bureau of Quarantine;
- b) Valid Identification Card bearing Photo and Signature;



- c) Other documentary requirements as may be required by the LGU of destination, e.g. Booking Acceptance from the DOT Accredited Accommodation Establishment, Tour Operator or Municipal Tourism Office
- B. For non-vaccinated and partially-vaccinated individuals:
  - a) Valid identification card bearing photo and signature;
  - b) A negative RT-PCR test result
    - The negative RT-PCR test result is valid for forty-eight (48) hours from its release or issuance. RT-PCR may either be through swab or saliva testing.
  - d) Other documentary requirements as may be required by the LGU of destination, e.g. Booking Acceptance from the DOT Accredited Accommodation Establishment, Tour Operator or Municipal Tourism Office
- 3. Physical copies of the above requirements shall be prepared and presented when required upon arrival.

### **UPON ARRIVAL**

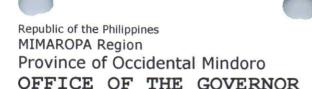
Travelers shall present Travel Coordination Permit (TCP) generated from an approved S-PaSS at the different entry points of the province to be conducted by the Border Control Team or personnel of the concerned LGU.

Travelers shall also be required to follow the following procedures:

- 1. Register/update to StaySafe.PH at the point of entry.
- 2. Present the S-PASS QR Code and valid ID. (Prepare a copy or screenshot and/or printed copy of S-PASS QR Code, notice of confirmed bookings and itinerary for verification)
- Must undergo clinical and exposure assessment conducted by medical team at the entry point.
- 4. Must wear face masks and observe physical distancing. Face masks shall be worn properly at all times except when eating and drinking, or engaging in strenuous physical activities that include labored breathing (e.g. swimming, hiking, jogging, running, biking, and others).
- 5. Tourists who are found to have symptoms regardless of vaccination status, after health and exposure assessment shall immediately undergo mandatory quarantine in the quarantine/isolation facility of the health care management of the Municipal Health Office or the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT);

### **DURING TOUR**





- Tourists shall follow all local tourism policies, health and safety protocols that are being
  implemented including updating of whereabouts and entry to different establishments,
  attractions and destinations using StaySafe.PH and/or daily health declaration form.
- 2. Tourists shall follow the confirmed itinerary. No deviation therefrom shall be allowed except for emergency purposes.
- Tourists on staycation shall only be allowed within the resort or hotel premises and will only be allowed to tour when arranged by DOT-Accredited tour operator or the Municipal Tourism Office.
- Use contactless payment options, if necessary, to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission.
- 5. Must always carry with them their own sanitation kit.

### Section 8. STEPS AND PROCEDURES FOR FOREIGN TOURISTS.

### **BEFORE TRAVEL**

The following steps and procedure must be strictly complied with by foreign tourists:

- Book the accommodation with DOT-Accredited Accommodation Establishment/Arrange
  the itinerary with DOT-Accredited Tour Operators <u>and</u> coordinate with Municipal Tourism
  Office at least one (1) week before the scheduled trip. Do-It-Yourself (DIY) tour is
  prohibited. Tourists who fail to comply with this condition shall be denied admission into
  the destination.
- 2. Prior to travel to the province, tourists are required to register with S-PaSS and upload the required documents specified hereunder at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to the date of travel to generate the QR Code:

### A. For fully-vaccinated individuals:

- a) Acceptable proof of vaccination. The following shall be the only acceptable proofs of vaccination, in accordance with IATF-EID Resolution No. 160-B:
  - World Health Organization International Certificate of Vaccination and Prophylaxis; or
  - VaxCertPH; or
  - National or state digital certificate of the country/foreign government which has accepted VaxCertPH under a reciprocal arrangement; or
  - iv. Other proofs of vaccination permitted by the IATF.
- b) A negative RT-PCR test taken within forty-eight (48) hours.
- c) Valid Identification Card bearing Photo and Signature;



- d) Valid tickets for their return journey to the port of origin or next port of destination;
- e) Passports valid for a period of at least six (6) months at the time of their arrival to the Philippines; and
- f) Other documentary requirements as may be required by the LGU of destination, e.g. Booking Acceptance from the DOT Accredited Accommodation Establishment, Tour Operator or Municipal Tourism Office

### B. For Foreign Children

- a) A foreign child or children below twelve (12) years of age who are not vaccinated for any reason whatsoever and traveling with their Filipino parent, shall follow the entry, testing, and quarantine protocols of their Filipino parent traveling with them.
- b) A foreign child or children from ages twelve (12) to seventeen (17) years of age traveling with their Filipino parent, shall follow the protocol based on their vaccination status (i.e., vaccinated or unvaccinated). In case of such unvaccinated minor children, they must present proof of having undergone facility-based quarantine.
- 3. Physical copies of the above requirements shall be prepared and presented when required upon arrival.

Tourists who fail to comply with the above requirements shall be denied admission into the province.

### **UPON ARRIVAL**

Travelers shall present Travel Coordination Permit (TCP) generated from an approved S-PaSS at the different entry points of the province to be conducted by the Border Control Team or personnel of the concerned LGU. Once admitted into the province, they are no longer required to observe facility-based quarantine but shall self-monitor for any sign of symptom for seven (7) days with the first day being the date of arrival in the country. However, they are required to report to the municipal local government unit (LGU) of their destination should they manifest any symptoms.

Travelers shall also be required to follow the following procedures:

- Register/update to StaySafe.PH at the point of entry.
- 2. Present the S-PASS QR Code and valid ID. (Prepare a copy or screenshot and/or printed copy of S-PASS QR Code, notice of confirmed bookings and itinerary for verification)
- Must undergo clinical and exposure assessment conducted by medical team at the entry point.



- 4. Must wear face masks and observe physical distancing. Face masks shall be worn properly at all times except when eating and drinking, or engaging in strenuous physical activities that include labored breathing (e.g. swimming, hiking, jogging, running, biking, and others).
- Tourists who are found to have symptoms regardless of vaccination status, after health and exposure assessment shall immediately undergo mandatory quarantine in the quarantine/isolation facility of the health care management of the Municipal Health Office or the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT);

### **DURING TOUR**

- 1. Tourists shall follow all local tourism policies, health and safety protocols that are being implemented including updating of whereabouts and entry to different establishments, attractions and destinations using StaySafe.PH and/or daily health declaration form.
- 2. Tourists shall follow the confirmed itinerary. No deviation therefrom shall be allowed except for emergency purposes.
- Tourists on staycation shall only be allowed within the resort or hotel premises and will only be allowed to tour when arranged by DOT-Accredited tour operator or the Municipal Tourism Office.
- 4. Use contactless payment options, if necessary, to reduce the risk of COVID-19 transmission.
- 5. Must always carry with them their own sanitation kit.

### Section 9. STEPS AND PROCEDURES FOR SERVICE PROVIDERS.

The following steps and procedure must strictly be complied with by service providers:

### **BEFORE TRAVEL**

- DOT-Accredited Tour Operator and DOT-Accredited Accommodation Establishments shall submit the confirmed booking and itinerary to Municipal Tourism Office, in coordination with the Provincial Tourism Office, for information. Schedule and time of submission shall be until 4 o'clock in the afternoon every day. In the absence of DOT Accredited Tour Operators and Accommodation Establishments, the Municipal Tourism Office in coordination with Provincial Tourism Office, shall regulate the booking and itinerary of the tourists.
- All workers and employees of service providers shall be fully vaccinated. Non-vaccinated
  employees shall present negative RT-PCR or Antigen results regularly whereas expenses
  shall be shouldered either by the employee or the employer.



3. Accommodation Establishments accepting guests shall ensure that service providers, such as but not limited to, tour guides, transport operators, drivers, and boatmen, shall have no travel history to areas with high incidence of COVID-19 cases and have no exposure or contact with confirmed or suspect COVID-19 positive cases, for the past seven (7) days prior to their assignment.

### **UPON ARRIVAL**

- Accept tourists upon arrival at the Accommodation Establishment and shall notify the Municipal Tourism Office, in coordination with Provincial Tourism Office, within working hours. In the absence of DOT Accredited Tour Operators and Accommodation Establishments, the Municipal Tourism Office shall regulate the hotel booking of the tourists.
- 2. Must ensure that face masks shall be worn properly at all times except when eating and drinking, or engaging in strenuous physical activities that include labored breathing (e.g. swimming, hiking, jogging, running, biking, and others). The voluntary use of face shields is without prejudice to employers still requiring their use for their employees/workers and/or customers in their respective premises.

### **DURING TOUR**

- Hotels and resorts shall provide transportation services for transfer from the point of entry to destination and vice versa or for essential services.
- Tour guides and other establishment personnel reporting for work shall be fully vaccinated.
- 3. Vehicles arranged by the tour operator or the Municipal Tourism Office will be given permit for tours.
- 4. If the tourist exhibits COVID-19 symptoms during the tour, the accommodation establishment personnel shall keep him/her confined in the room originally used until trained transport providers are available to transport him/her to designated health care management of the Municipal Health Office or the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT). In addition, they must coordinate with the referral isolation facility for necessary transportation of symptomatic guest/s.
- 5. All visitors must be screened prior to entry to the Tourist Attraction through:
  - a. Body temperature check using a thermal scanner or thermometer gun;
  - b. Completion of Health Declaration and Contract Tracing Form using a mobile application <u>such as StaySafe.ph</u> or other contactless means.
- 6. Only visitors who are cleared during temperature screening and have accomplished the Health Declaration Form shall be allowed to enter the Tourist Attraction or Destination. Those with body temperature exceeding 37.5 degrees Celsius or those exhibiting flu-like symptoms will not be allowed to enter and be referred to the doctor on duty, if any, or



to the nearest Municipal Health Office or to the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT) in accordance with the DOH-prescribed protocol. Accomplished Health Declaration and Contract Tracing Forms shall be disposed of after thirty (30) days from the date of accomplishment, unless a longer period is required by the authorities.

7. Senior citizens and Persons with Disability (PWDs) shall be provided with an express lane, or otherwise given priority.

### Section 10. PERMITTED MODES OF TRANSPORT; REQUIREMENTS.

Accommodation Establishments accepting guests, as well as individuals undertaking Point-to-Point leisure travel shall comply with the following conditions:

### a) Travel via direct flight, with land and/or water transfers

- 1. Shall be seamless and exclusive:
  - From the point of arrival to a port/terminal to the accommodation and vice versa; or
  - ii. From the point of arrival to the accommodation and vice versa.
- 2. Shall not allow groups of guests to co-mingle with other groups; and
- 3. Shall observe the minimum public health standards and maximum allowable seating capacity in the land or water transport.

### b) Travel via land

- Shall be undertaken via private transport, either through a personal vehicle, or a hired private vehicle to the group. For avoidance of doubt, leisure travel via public land transport, or via a hired private vehicle with other groups of guests, shall be strictly coordinated with the Tour Operators/Establishments or Municipal Tourism Office. The operators/establishment shall notify the municipal tourism office.
- 2. Shall be seamless and exclusive for one group of guests, from the point of origin to the destination;
- 3. Shall have no side trips during the transport;
- Stopovers, if any, shall be limited to short breaks (e.g., meals, bathroom breaks);
- 5. Shall not allow groups of guests to co-mingle with other groups; and
- 6. Shall observe the minimum public health standards and maximum allowable seating capacity in the land transport.

### c) Travel via sea or water transport

1. Shall be seamless and exclusive:



- From the point of arrival to a port/terminal to the accommodation and vice versa; or
- ii. From the point of arrival to the accommodation and vice versa.
- 2. Shall not allow groups of guests to co-mingle with other groups;
- 3. Shall observe the minimum public health standards and maximum allowable seating capacity in the land or water transport; and,
- 4. Liveaboards and Dive Boats (e.g. yacht) are allowed to enter into the tourist establishment/attractions; Provided that such Liveaboards and Dive Boats shall coordinate with the Municipal LGU where the Tourist Attraction is located, and that tourists carried by these boats shall comply with the minimum public health standards and requirements provided by this Order, by the IATF-EID and/or DOT.
- 5. Tourist boats shall be listed with the Municipal Tourism Office of their municipal LGU.

### Section 11. TOUR ACTIVITIES FOR GUESTS.

Tour activities in the point of destination (e.g., tours, island hopping, water-based activities, etc.) shall only be availed of from DOT-Accredited Tour Operators or DOT-Accredited Accommodation Establishment; provided, that guests from different groups shall not be allowed to co-mingle.

### Section 12. USE OF STAYSAFE.PH.

The LGUs of destination are mandated to utilize the staysafe.ph travel management system to monitor the arrival of guests and provide updated travel information for travelers. A daily health declaration form is required to be used in its absence.

### Section 13. DOT-ISSUED HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES TO BE FOLLOWED.

All tourism-related establishments, attractions and parks should follow the following DOT-issued health and safety guidelines for their operation:

- DOT MC No. 2020-003 "HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES GOVERNING THE OPERATIONS OF TOURIST LAND TRANSPORT SERVICES UNDER THE NEW NORMAL"
- 2. DOT MC No. 2020-004-A- "AMENDED HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES GOVERNING THE OPERATION OF DOT-ACCREDITED RESTAURANTS UNDER THE NEW NORMAL"
- 3. DOT MC No. 2020-007- "HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES GOVERNING THE OPERATIONS OF ISLAND AND BEACH DESTINATIONS UNDER NEW NORMAL"
- 4. DOT MC No. 2020-008- "HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES GOVERNING THE OPERATIONS OF TRAVEL AND TOUR AGENCIES AND TOUR GUIDES UNDER THE NEW NORMAL"





- DOT MC No. 2020-011- "HEALTH AND SAFETY GUIDELINES GOVERNING THE OPERATIONS OF TOURIST ATTRACTIONS SUCH AS PARKS, NATURAL SITES, HISTORICAL LANDMARKS, AND AMUSEMENTS UNDER THE NEW NORMAL"
- DOT ADVISORY No. 16 s. 2021- "OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES ON TOURISM-RELATED ACTIVITIES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ALERT LEVELS SYSTEM FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE IN THE PILOT AREAS"
- 7. DOT AO No. 2022-001 "GUIDELINES ON THE OPERATIONS OF HOTELS AND OTHER ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS UNDER THE ALERT LEVELS SYSTEM FOR COVID-19"

### Section 14. INCORPORATION CLAUSE.

This Executive Order adopts IATF-EID Guidelines on the Nationwide Implementation of Alert Level System for COVID-19 Response. In case of changes in the Alert Level System of Occidental Mindoro, the guidelines imposed in such Alert Level shall be incorporated and adopted in this Order.

### Section 15. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.

If any provision of this Executive Order is held invalid for any reason, any other section or provision not affected thereby shall remain valid and effective.

### Section 16. REPEALING CLAUSE.

All Executive Orders, Rules and Regulations issued by this province inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

### Section 17. EFFECTIVITY.

This ORDER shall take effect immediately.

DONE atthe Provincial Capitol, Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro this 28 control 2022.

EDUARDO B GADIANO