## Series of 2020

UPDATED GUIDELINES ON THE MANAGEMENT OF LOCALLY STRANDED INDIVIDUALS (LSIs), AUTHORIZED PERSONS OUTSIDE RESIDENCE (APORs), NON-APORS AND CARGO TRUCKERS FOR THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the Local Government Code provides, in part, that "Every local government unit shall exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied therefrom, as well as powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance, and those which are essential to the promotion of the general welfare."

WHEREAS, the National Task Force Against COVID-19 issued a NTF Against COVID-19 Order No. 2020-02 dated May 13, 2020 providing for Operational Guidelines on the Management of Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs);

WHEREAS, the Joint Task Force COVID Shield has categorized Authorized Persons Outside Residence (APORs) as individuals allowed to travel to other local government units during community quarantine without need of travel authority;

WHEREAS, in view of the Memorandum from the Executive Secretary dated March 16, 2020 providing for unhampered transit of cargoes in the entire Luzon, cargo truck drivers and helpers are allowed entry to the Province of Occidental Mindoro as long as they are found to be asymptomatic upon medical assessment;

WHEREAS, IATF Resolution No. 79 Series of 2020 allows the interzonal and intrazonal movement of Non-APORs between areas placed under GCQ and MGCQ for any purpose subject to reasonable regulations to be imposed by LGU concerned;

WHEREAS, LSIs, APORs, Non-APORs and cargo truck drivers and helpers are most prone to being infected with COVID-19 due to their frequent contact with people in other areas where the COVID-19 cases are high. Thus, it is most probable that these people, if left unmonitored, could spark the spread of the disease while they are in the province;

WHEREAS, the undersigned promulgated Executive Order No. 76 Series of 2020 to provide additional guidelines for the management of Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs), Authorized Persons Outside Residence (APORs) and cargo truck drivers and helpers entering the Province of Occidental Mindoro.

**WHEREAS**, there is a need to update some specific provisions of Executive Order No. 76 Series of 2020 to keep abreast with the latest issuances of the IATF and its member-agencies.

#### Section 1. INTERZONAL MOVEMENT.

Interzonal movement- the movement of people, goods and services between provinces, highly urbanized cities, and independent component cities under different community quarantine classification. For this purpose, the National Capital Region shall be considered as one area. Provided that movements to and from areas under granular lockdowns shall be considered as interzonal movement even if within the same province or highly urbanized city.

#### Section 2. INTRAZONAL MOVEMENT.

Intrazonal Movement- the movement of people, goods, and services between provinces, highly urbanized cities, and independent component cities under the same community quarantine classification, without transiting through an area placed under a different classification. For this purpose, the National Capital Region shall be considered as one area.

#### Section 3. MOVEMENT OF APORs.

The movement of the following authorized persons outside their residences (APOR) within and across areas placed under any form of community quarantine shall be permitted: 1) health and emergency frontline services personnel, 2) government officials and government frontline personnel, 3) duly-authorized humanitarian assistance actors (HAAs), 4) persons traveling for medical or humanitarian reasons, 5) persons going to the airport for travel abroad, 6) anyone crossing zones for work or business permitted in the zone of destination, and going back home. The following persons shall be considered as APOR: a) returning or repatriated OFWs and other Overseas Filipinos (OFs) returning to their places of residence, and b) other persons transported through the efforts of the national government upon observance of the necessary quarantine protocols and with the concurrence of the receiving LGUs. The Philippine National Police shall be authorized to promulgate and regularly update the list of APORs. Authorized shuttle services shall be allowed to travel within and across areas placed under any form of community quarantine, with priority given to persons rendering health and emergency frontline services.

#### Section 4. INTERZONAL MOVEMENT OF NON-APORs.

The interzonal movement of persons not authorized outside of residences (non-APORs) between areas placed under GCQ and MGCQ for any purpose shall be permitted subject to the reasonable regulations imposed by the LGU concerned, if any, which should be submitted to the DILG.

#### Section 5. INTRAZONAL MOVEMENT OF NON-APORs.

The intrazonal movement of non-APORs for any purpose across areas placed under GCQ and MGCQ shall be permitted subject to the reasonable regulations imposed by the LGU concerned, if any, which should be submitted to the DILG.

### Section 6. INTERZONAL MOVEMENT OF NON-APORS BETWEEN AREAS UNDER MGCQ AND NEW NORMAL.

The interzonal movement of non-APOR between areas placed under MGCQ and New Normal for any purpose shall be permitted subject to the reasonable regulations as may be imposed by the LGU concerned, if any, which should be submitted to the DILG.

#### Section 7. PERSONS PROHIBITED TO GO OUTSIDE RESIDENCE.

Any person below fifteen (15) years old, those over sixty-five (65) years old, 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 Sections 6 and 8 Executive Order No. 83 Series of 2020 and other Sections of the IATF Omnibus Guidelines for the foregoing persons shall continue to be permitted under MGCQ.

Section 8. REQUIREMENTS FOR LOCALLY STRANDED INDIVIDUALS (LSIs)/RETURNING RESIDENTS, AUTHORIZED PERSONS OUTSIDE RESIDENCE (APORs) AND NON-APORS ENTERING THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO.

- a) Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs)/Returning Residents, Authorized Persons Outside Residence (APORs) and Persons Not Authorized Outside of Residences (Non-APORs) are allowed entry into the Province of Occidental Mindoro upon presentation of the following documents:
  - 1. A negative COVID-19 Test Result which may either be RT-PCR or Rapid Antigen. The test result is valid only within 24 hours from its release;
  - 2. A Medical Clearance Certificate which is valid for 5 days from its issuance; and
  - A letter of coordination issued by the receiving Municipal LGU. Said letter of coordination shall be issued only upon compliance with the requirement of a negative COVID-19 Test Result by the concerned LSI, APOR or Non-APOR.

For LSIs/Returning Residents who arrived in the province without the necessary negative COVID-19 test result, they shall be subject to mandatory quarantine in the isolation facility of the receiving Municipal LGU.

For APORs and Non-APORs who arrived in the province without the necessary negative COVID-19 test result, they shall first undergo the necessary test in the nearest accredited facility. Only if the test yielded negative results for COVID-19 will they be allowed to proceed to their destination in the province. If the test yielded positive results for COVID-19, they shall be subject to the necessary health protocols depending on the medical assessment of the concerned MHO or PHO.

- LSIs, APORs and Non-APORs shall comply with the usual health screening procedures and fill out health declaration forms upon their arrival at the entry points of the province;
- c) For APORs and Non-APORs who travelled outside the province and return within seventy-two (72) hours, they shall not be subject to the requirements of a COVID-19 test result and mandatory 14-day quarantine. However, if they return to the province beyond seventy-two (72) hours, they are required to present the negative COVID-19 test result upon their return.

## Section 9. REQUIREMENTS FOR CARGO TRUCK DRIVERS AND HELPERS ENTERING THE PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO.

- a. Cargo truck drivers and helpers are allowed entry into the Province of Occidental Mindoro upon presentation of the following documents:
  - For cargo truck drivers and helpers (of Non-Occidental Mindoreňo truckers), a negative COVID-19 test result which may either be RT-PCR or Rapid Antigen. The test result is valid only within 24 hours from its issuance/release. However, for cargo truck drivers and helpers (of

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Occidental Mindoreňo truckers), they can present a negative COVID-19 test result which is valid for thirty (30) days from its issuance/release;

- 2. A Medical Clearance Certificate which is valid for 5 days from its issuance;
- 3. Pertinent business permit;
- Food lane conduct pass and its pertinent papers;

For cargo truck drivers and helpers who arrived in the province without the necessary negative COVID-19 test result, they shall first undergo the necessary test in the nearest accredited facility. Only if the test yielded negative results for COVID-19 will they be allowed to proceed to their destination in the province. If the test yielded positive results for COVID-19, they shall be subject to the necessary health protocols depending on the medical assessment of the concerned MHO or PHO.

- Cargo truck drivers and helpers shall comply with the usual health screening procedures and fill out health declaration forms upon their arrival at the entry points of the province;
- c. Cargo truck drivers and helpers cannot be subjected to quarantine as long as they are asymptomatic and with negative COVID-19 test result;
- d. Only one (1) driver and a maximum of three (3) helpers per cargo truck are allowed entry into the province. Any other persons in excess of this number shall not be allowed entry to the province. This also applies to any vehicle bearing food lane conduct pass.
- e. After unloading of cargoes at the final destination, cargo truck drivers and helpers (of Occidental Mindoreňo truckers) shall stay in a temporary shelter provided by the employer or operator. They shall not be allowed to go out of the shelter except when they are scheduled to travel for another trip outside the province. During their stay in the shelter, the MHO and/or the concerned BHERT member shall regularly monitor them for any sign or symptom of COVID-19 infection.
- f. With regard to cargo truck driver and helpers (of non-Occidental Mindoreňo truckers), they only have a window of twenty-four (24) hours within which to leave the province.

#### Section 10. MUNICIPAL LGUs TO ISSUE TRAVEL PERMIT AND LETTER OF COORDINATION.

It shall be the responsibility of the Municipal LGUs through their Municipal Mayor or his/her duly authorized representative to issue travel permits for their residents or individuals whose place of work is located within the municipality, who intend to travel outside the province. For this purpose, each Municipal LGU may prescribe the necessary requirements for the issuance of a travel permit.

It shall also be the responsibility of every Municipal LGU to issue a letter of coordination to individuals intending to travel to their LGU after compliance with the necessary requirements. The Municipal Mayor or his/her duly authorized representative shall not issue a letter of coordination unless the applicant has complied with the requirement of a negative COVID-19 test result.

Every Municipal LGU shall provide hotlines where any individual intending to travel to their LGU may call to secure the necessary letter of coordination from the receiving LGU.

#### Section 11. OUTBOUND TRAVEL OF APORs AND NON-APORs.

Individuals intending to travel — outside the province shall first secure a travel permit from the Municipal LGU of his residence or place of work before the intended date of travel. It their travel is to restricted places, they shall secure travel authority from the concerned PNP station.

For government employees intending to travel outside the province on official business, the following documents are required:

- a) Travel Order issued by his/her superior;
- b) Company ID or Certificate of Employment; and
- c) Medical clearance certificate which is valid for five (5) days from its issuance.

For government employees who will travel not on official business, they are required to secure a travel permit from the Municipal LGU of his residence or place of work aside from the requirements of a company ID and medical clearance certificate.

**Section 12. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid for any reason, the parts not affected thereby shall remain valid and in full force and effect.

**Section 13. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All Executive Orders, Rules and Regulations issued by this province which are inconsistent with any of the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, superseded or modified accordingly.

Section 14. EFFECTIVITY. This Order shall take effect immediately.

**DONE** at the Provincial Capitol, Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro this day of November 2020.

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