



**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 31**  
Series of 2021

**"AN ORDER PROVIDING FOR THE OMNIBUS GUIDELINES ON THE  
IMPLEMENTATION OF GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (GCQ)  
POLICIES FOR THE CITY OF MANDAUE"**

**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**, under the Local Government Code, the City Government of Mandaue shall ensure the promotion of health and safety, and preserve the comfort and convenience of its inhabitants;

**WHEREAS**, Section 16 of the Local Government Code of 1991, states 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**, Section 2 of Proclamation No. 922, which was issued by the President of the Philippines declaring a state of public health emergency throughout the Philippines, mandated that all government agencies and LGUs are hereby enjoined to render full assistance and cooperation and mobilize the necessary resources to undertake critical, urgent and appropriate response and measures in a timely manner to curtail and eliminate the COVID-19 threat;

**WHEREAS**, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF - MEID), through Resolution No. 130-A dated 29 July 2021, has placed under a state of Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ) the City of Mandaue starting August 1 until August 15, 2021;

**WHEREAS**, on 12 August 2021, the IATF - MEID, through Resolution No. 133-A extended the period of a state of Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ) in Mandaue City for the second half of August 2021;

**WHEREAS**, Executive Order (EO) No. 27 became effective on 17 August 2021, that placed the City of Mandaue into a heightened state of Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ) until 31 August 2021;

**WHEREAS**, the City's classification under Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ) was subsequently renewed from September 1 to 7, 2021 by virtue of Resolution No. 135-A issued by the IATF-MEID;

**WHEREAS**, on 03 September 2021, the IATF - MEID, through Resolution No. 136-F has placed the City of Mandaue under a state of General Community Quarantine (GCC) from September 8 to 30, 2021;

**WHEREAS**, the City hereby adopts the guidelines set by the National IATF-MEID in Resolution No. 136-F, placing the City of Mandaue under the





classification of General Community Quarantine (GCQ), and placing herein long term plans and measures to ensure that the health system guidelines are in place to prevent, detect, test, isolate, and treat Covid-19 cases;

**WHEREAS**, the City of Mandaue will continue with its implementation of the guidelines under the Amended Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) on 19 August 2021 and supplemental guidelines for the City under its classification of community quarantine;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, JONAS C. CORTES**, Mayor of the City of Mandaue, and by virtue of the powers and authority vested in me by law, do hereby order and decree for the adoption of the guidelines under the Amended Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine and declares the City of Mandaue to be under a state of General Community Quarantine (GCQ) and provide the guidelines for its implementation:

**SECTION 1. DECLARATION OF GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (GCQ).** – Mandaue City shall hereby be placed under General Community Quarantine (GCQ) effective September 8, 2021 until September 30, 2021.

**SECTION 2. GENERAL GUIDELINES UNDER GCQ.** – The following general policies shall be adopted during the General Community Quarantine (GCQ):

- a) **Minimum Public Health Standards** – All persons and business establishments must ensure compliance with the minimum public health standards at all times. All persons within the territorial jurisdiction of the City of Mandaue are directed to wear face masks at all times when in public places.
- b) **Allowed Movement and Travel** - The movement of all persons shall be limited to accessing goods and services from permitted establishments, for work in such establishments, or for such other activities allowed in this section.

Law enforcement agencies shall recognize any of the following IDs: (i) IATF IDs issued by the regulatory agencies with jurisdiction over permitted establishments or persons, (ii) valid IDs or other pertinent documentation issued by accrediting organizations or establishments allowed under ECQ, and, (iii) if required by the LGU, local IDs for availing of essential goods and services. No other IDs or passes specifically exempting persons from community quarantine shall be required of workers of permitted establishments and/or offices without prejudice to requiring the presentation of other documents establishing the nature of their work.

- c) **Mandatory Stay-At-Home** - Any person below eighteen (18) years old, those who are over sixty-five years (65) of age, those with immunodeficiency, comorbidity, or other health risks, and pregnant women shall be required to remain in their residences at all times,





except for obtaining essential goods and services, or for work in industries and offices or such other activities permitted in this Section.

- d) **Checkpoints and Border Controls** – Strict border control shall be maintained at all times to ensure that only those permitted persons/travel, under existing Executive Orders, and workers of allowed businesses are allowed entry/exit.

The Mandaue City Government shall coordinate with the Province of Cebu, and the Cities of Cebu, Talisay, and Lapu-Lapu regarding the perimeter manning, perimeter handling, perimeter control, and border and boundaries management.

- e) **Transportation Restrictions** – The road, rail, maritime, and aviation sectors of public transportation shall be allowed to operate at such capacity and protocols in accordance with guidelines issued by the DOTr. The use of active transportation such as biking is encouraged.

The movement of cargo/delivery vehicles, as well as vehicles used by public utility companies, shall be unhampered. Shuttle services of permitted establishments shall not be subject to an ID system but shall maintain compliance with minimum public health standards.

- f) **Public Gatherings** – Gatherings outside of residences shall be prohibited except for those permitted in GCQ under this Section. Gatherings at residences with any person outside of one's immediate household shall likewise be prohibited. However, gatherings that are essential for the provision of health services, government services, or humanitarian activities authorized by the appropriate government agency or instrumentality shall be allowed.

Gatherings for necrological services, wakes, inurnment, and funerals for those who died of causes other than COVID-19 shall be allowed up to **thirty percent (30%) of the venue capacity**. Provided, further, that the same shall be with full compliance with the prescribed minimum public health standards for the duration of the activity.

Visits to memorial parks, cemeteries, and columbaria shall be limited to not more than ten (10) persons per group and not exceeding **thirty percent (30%)** of the venue capacity.

- g) **Religious gatherings** - Religious gatherings shall be allowed up to **thirty percent (30%) of the venue capacity**. Provided that religious denominations should strictly observe minimum public health standards.

- h) **Curfew** – The curfew period shall start from 10:00 PM – 4:00 AM the next day. However, authorized persons outside residence (APOR),

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those working in BPO's and other essential industries such as food and food deliveries, health workers and government agencies providing frontline and emergency services are hereby exempt.

- i) **Business Operations** - All establishments, persons, or activities not permitted to operate, work, or be undertaken during ECQ shall be allowed to operate anywhere between fifty (50%) to one hundred percent (100%) on-site capacity as may be determined by the DTI while encouraging work-from-home and other flexible work arrangements, where applicable. From the maximum set by DTI, the LGUs may lower on-site capacities down to the minimum of fifty percent (50%) as set by DTI depending on the COVID-19 situation within their jurisdiction.

Furthermore, under the Mandaue City Safety Seal Certification Program, business establishments awarded Safety Seal Certifications shall be allowed to operate at an additional **10 percentage (10%)** points beyond the prescribed on-site capacity or venue/seating capacity.

All construction projects shall be allowed subject to strict compliance with the construction safety guidelines issued by the DPWH.

Only hotels or accommodation establishments with valid DOT Accreditation shall be allowed to accommodate guests and clients for legitimate purposes under a state of a public health emergency. The operations of such hotels and accommodation establishments, as well as ancillary establishments within their premises such as restaurants, cafés, gyms, spas, function halls, and the like, shall be subject to guidelines issued by the DOT and the IATF.

The Negative List of Industries issued by the DTI is also, hereby adopted.

- j) **Government Operations** - Agencies and instrumentalities of the government shall be fully operational and shall operate at a minimum of thirty percent (30%) up to full on-site capacity as determined by the head of the agency, in accordance with the relevant rules and regulations issued by the CSC.

The co-equal or independent authority of the legislature (Senate and the House of Representatives), the judiciary (the Supreme Court, Court of Appeals, Court of Tax Appeals, Sandiganbayan, and the lower courts), the Office of the Ombudsman, and the Constitutional Commissions, to implement any alternative work arrangements, is recognized.

Officials and employees of foreign diplomatic missions and international organizations accredited by the DFA may operate at full on-site capacity.

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- k) **Suspension of face-to-face or in-person classes** - Face-to-face or in-person classes for basic education shall be suspended. The basic education sector shall operate in accordance with the guidelines of DepEd.

Limited face-to-face or in-person classes for higher education and technical vocational education and training may be allowed, subject to the guidelines of CHED and TESDA, respectively.

- l) **Barangay Enforcement** - All Barangay Officials, Tanods, and volunteers, in coordination with law enforcement agencies are enjoined to assist in the implementation of the regulations under this Order, such as, curfew protocols, regulated movement, and monitoring.

- m) **Allowable Form of Exercise** - 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, diving, and skateboarding are allowed. Provided, that the minimum public health standards, and no sharing of equipment where applicable, are observed. Provided, further, that operations of the relevant clubhouses or similar establishments, if any, are compliant with the protocols prescribed by the DTI. For this purpose, those below eighteen (18) years of age and above sixty-five (65), may be allowed outdoor non-contact sports and other forms of exercise.

Spectators in all non-contact sports and exercises shall be prohibited.

- n) **Liquor Ban** - The liquor ban imposed by the City of Mandaue shall remain effective. As such, selling of liquor is allowed however, it shall be prohibited for any person to serve, and/or drink intoxicating liquor in any public place within the City of Mandaue until declared otherwise.

- o) **Inter-Island Travel; Restrictions.** - Travel into or transit through the City of Mandaue from other islands shall be prohibited, except for the following:

- Authorized government officials and employees;
- Health and emergency workers;
- Law enforcement personnel, including the police, military, and force multipliers;
- Authorized Persons Outside Residence (APORs);
- Trucks and vehicles transporting all types of cargoes.

**SECTION 3. DEFINITION OF TERMS.** In addition to definitions found in existing regulations in relation to Covid-19, the following terms are defined for guidance:





1. *Accommodation Establishments* - refers to establishments 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. *Comorbidity* - refers to the presence of a pre-existing chronic disease condition.
3. *General Community Quarantine* - refers to the implementation of temporary measures limiting movement and transportation, regulation of operating industries, and presence of uniformed personnel to enforce community quarantine protocols.
4. *Health and emergency frontline services* - refers to services provided by public health workers [all employees of the DOH, DOH Hospitals, Hospitals of LGUs, and Provincial, City, and Rural Health Units, and Drug Abuse Treatment and Rehabilitation Centers including those managed by other government agencies (e.g. police and military hospitals/clinics, university medical facilities), uniformed medical personnel], private health workers, such as but not limited to medical professionals, hospital and health facility administrative and maintenance staff, and aides from private health facilities, as well as their service providers, health workers and volunteers of the Philippine Red Cross and the World Health Organization, and employees of Health Maintenance Organizations (HMOs), the Philippine Health Insurance Corporation (PHIC), health insurance providers, disaster risk reduction management officers, and public safety officers.
5. *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.
6. *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 under a different classification. For this purpose, the National Capital Region shall be considered as one area.
7. *Minimum public health standards* - refers to guidelines set by the DOH under Administrative Order No. 2020-0015 and such other issuances subsequent thereto, as well as sector-relevant guidelines issued by national government agencies as authorized by the IATF, to aid all sectors in all settings to implement non-pharmaceutical interventions (NPI), or public health measures that do not involve vaccines, medications or other pharmaceutical interventions, which individuals





and communities must carry out in order to reduce transmission rates, contact rates, and the duration of infectiousness of individuals in the population.

8. *On-site capacity* - refers to the number of employees or workers who can be permitted or required to be physically present at their designated workplace outside of their residences.
9. *Skeleton workforce* - refers to the on-site capacity which utilizes the smallest number of people needed for a business or organization to maintain its basic functions.
10. *Al Fresco Dining or Outdoor Dining* - refers to dining in areas that allow free natural air movement / ventilation from all directions and which may be covered by a roof, supported by posts, but not surrounded by walls.
11. *Parks* - refer to an area of natural, semi-natural or planted space set aside for human enjoyment and recreation or for the protection of wildlife or natural habitats. Theme parks and other amusement parks shall be considered part of this definition.
12. *Theme Park* - refers to an amusement park with defined and designed space that features themed rides and attractions.
13. *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 man-made features, offering leisure and education.

**SECTION 4. ALLOWED BUSINESS OPERATIONS UNDER GCQ.** All permitted establishments and activities under this section are allowed to operate at **FULL operating capacity (100%)**:

- a. Public and private hospitals.
- b. Health, emergency and frontline services, including those provided by dialysis centers, chemotherapy centers, HMOs, health insurance providers, disaster risk reduction management officers, and public safety officers and the like.
- c. Manufacturers of medicines and vitamins, medical supplies, devices and equipment, including suppliers of input, packaging, and distribution.
- d. Industries involved in agriculture (crops, fruits, vegetables, livestock and poultry), forestry, fishery, and such other components of the food value chain and their workers, including farmers and fisher folks.
- e. Logistics service providers (delivery and courier services; cargo handling; warehousing; trucking; freight forwarding; shipping, port and terminal operators and contractors and ancillary services (i.e. drivers, conductors, terminal workers).





- f. Essential and priority construction projects, whether public or private, in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Public Works and Highways (DPWH) including contractors, subcontractors, and consultants of the Department of Transportation for the construction of Build Build Build flagship infrastructure projects.
- g. Manufacturing related to food, beverages, and other essential goods such as but not limited to soap and detergents, diapers, personal hygiene products, toilet paper, and wet wipes, and disinfectants.
- h. Companies that manufacture, distribute and/or supply equipment or products necessary to perform construction or maintenance works, such as cement and steel, or spare parts.
- i. Essential retail trade and service establishments such as public markets, supermarkets, grocery stores, convenience stores, pharmacies or drug stores, hardware, bookstores and office supplies, bicycle shops, laundry shops, and water-refilling stations.
- j. Food preparation establishments such as kiosks, commissaries, restaurants, and eateries **(For TAKE-OUT and DELIVERY ONLY)**.
- k. Public and private financial service providers involved in the distribution of government grants and amelioration subsidies.
- l. Business process outsourcing establishments (BPOs), and export-oriented businesses, including mining and quarrying activities.
- m. Public transport providers and operators.
- n. Media establishments and their total permanent staff complement, inclusive of reporters and other field employees.
- o. Dental, rehabilitation, optometry and other medical clinics for the treatment of illness or injuries. Provided, that there is strict observance of infection prevention and control protocols. Provided, further, that dental procedures shall be limited to emergency cases only and that the wearing of full Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) by dentists and attendants shall be mandatory. Provided, finally, that home service therapy for Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) shall be allowed.
- p. Veterinary clinics.
- q. Banks, money transfer services, including pawnshops only insofar as performing money transfer functions, microfinance institutions, and credit cooperatives, including their armored vehicle services, if any.
- r. Capital markets, including but not limited to the Bangko Sentral ng Pilipinas, Securities and Exchange Commission, Philippine Stock Exchange, Philippine Dealing and Exchange Corporation, Philippine Securities Settlement Corporation, and Philippine Depository and Trust Corporation.
- s. Water supply and janitorial/sanitation services and facilities, including waste disposal services, as well as property management and building utility services.
- t. Energy sector (oil, gas, and power companies), their third-party contractors and service providers, including employees involved in electric transmission and distribution, electric power plant and line maintenance, electricity market and retail suppliers, as well as those involved in the exploration, operations, trading and delivery of coal, oil, crude or petroleum and by-products (gasoline, diesel, liquefied petroleum gas, jet oil, kerosene, lubricants), including gasoline stations, refineries and depots or any kind of fuel used to produce power.





- u. Telecommunications companies, internet service providers, cable television providers, including those who perform indirect services such as the technical, sales, and other support personnel, as well as the employees of their third-party contractors doing sales, installation, maintenance and repair works.
- v. Airline and aircraft maintenance, pilots and crew, and employees of aviation schools for purposes of the pilot's recurrent training for flight proficiency and type rating using simulator facilities, and ship captains and crew, including shipyard operations and repair.
- w. Funeral and embalming services.
- x. Security personnel licensed by the PNP - Supervisory Office for Security and Investigation Agencies.
- y. Printing establishments authorized by the Bureau of Internal Revenue and those contracted by other government agencies.
- z. Establishments engaged in repair and maintenance of machinery and equipment, for households and essential permitted establishments.
- aa. Establishments engaged in repair and maintenance of motorized and non-motorized vehicles, including the sale of spare parts.
- bb. Leasing of real and personal properties.
- cc. Employment activities that involve the recruitment and placement for permitted sectors.
- dd. Teachers, professors and other staff for purposes of conducting online/offline, and flexible classes, completion of grades, and processing of student credentials, requirements and documents.
- ee. Lawyers only when required to provide on-site legal representation necessary to protect rights of persons, whether natural or juridical.
- ff. All other establishments, to the extent necessary for the buying and selling of consumer goods or services via the internet.
- gg. Private corporations are encouraged to process payrolls online. Payroll managers and such other employees required for the processing of payroll, and accounting firms.
- hh. Other Manufacturing such as: Electrical Machinery, Wood products, Furniture, Non-metallic products, Textiles / Wearing apparels, Paper and Paper products, Rubber and Plastic products, Coke and Refined Petroleum products, Other non-metallic mineral products, Computer, Electronic and Optical Products, Electrical Equipment, Machinery and Equipment, Motor Vehicles, Trailers and Semi-Trailers, Other Transport Equipment.
- ii. Non-essential retail trade and service establishments such as clothing and accessories, flower, jewelry, novelty, antique, perfume shops, toy stores, music stores, art galleries (selling only), and firearms and ammunition trading establishments.
- jj. Office Administrative and Office Support (such as photocopying, billing, and record keeping services).
- kk. Other financial services (e.g., money exchange, insurance, reinsurance, lending companies, and non-compulsory pension funding).
- ll. Management Consultancy Activities.
- mm. Architecture and Engineering Activities; Technical Testing and Analysis.
- nn. Scientific and Research Development.
- oo. Advertising and Market Research.





- pp. Computer programming (such as writing, modifying, testing and supporting software, planning and designing computer systems), information service activities (such as data processing and hosting activities) and other related activities.
- qq. Publishing and printing services (such as printing of newspapers, magazines, and other periodicals, books, brochures, manuscripts, posters, maps, atlases, advertising catalogues, prospectuses, etc.; printing directly onto textiles, plastic, glass, metal wood, and ceramics).
- rr. Other services such as photography; fashion, industrial, graphic, and interior design.
- ss. Wholesale and retail trade of motor vehicles and motorcycles.
- tt. Driving Schools (Subject to DOTr Guidelines).
- uu. Outdoor sports, courts or venues but limited to Non-contact sports courts or venues or activities.
- vv. Philippine Charity Sweepstakes Office, and its authorized agents, for the sale of Lotto, Keno, Scratch-It, and Small Town Lottery Tickets.

**SECTION 4.1 ALLOWED AT 75% OPERATING CAPACITY.** All permitted establishments and activities under this section are allowed to operate at **75% operating capacity**:

- a. Food preparation establishments such as kiosks, commissaries, restaurants, and eateries (**OUTDOOR DINE-IN SERVICES or AL FRESCO DINING**).
- b. Travel agencies, tour operators, reservation service and related activities.
- c. Pet grooming services.
- d. Testing and tutorial centers.
- e. Review centers (only for health related professions, i.e. physicians)

**SECTION 4.2 ALLOWED AT 50% OPERATING CAPACITY.** All permitted establishments and activities under this section are allowed to operate at **50% operating capacity**:

- a. Food preparation establishments such as kiosks, commissaries, restaurants, and eateries (**INDOOR DINE-IN SERVICES**).
- b. Language, dance, acting, voice schools.
- c. Indoor sports, courts or venues (Indoor non-contact sports courts or venues, fitness studios, gyms or other indoor leisure centers or facilities, and swimming pools).
- d. Indoor visitor or tourist attractions, libraries, archives, museums, and galleries, and cultural shows and exhibits.
- e. Outdoor tourist attractions.
- f. Venues for meetings, incentives, conferences, and exhibitions (Subject to DTI & DOT Guidelines). Social events in eligible venue establishments shall operate at 30% (Subject to DTI & DOT Guidelines)
- g. Personal care services (Beauty salons, barbershops, beauty parlors, and nail spas).
- h. Other personal care services which include make-up salons, medical aesthetic clinics, cosmetic or derma clinics, reflexology, aesthetics, wellness and holistic centers, and other similar establishments;





acupuncture and electrocautery establishments, and massage therapy including sports therapy establishments. It also includes establishments providing tanning services, body piercings, tattooing and similar services.

**SECTION 4.3. CLOSED AND PROHIBITED ESTABLISHMENTS -**

Notwithstanding the foregoing and without prejudice to previous IATF resolutions, the following establishments, persons, or activities shall not be permitted to operate, work, or be undertaken during GCQ:

- a) Entertainment venues with live performers such as karaoke bars, bars, clubs, concert halls, theaters, and cinemas;
- b) Recreational venues such as internet cafes, billiard halls, amusement arcades, bowling alleys, and similar venues;
- c) Amusement parks or theme parks, fairs/perys, kid amusement industries such as playgrounds, playroom, and kiddie rides;
- d) Casinos, horse racing\*, cockfighting and operation of cockpits, lottery and betting shops\*\*, and other gaming establishments, except as may be authorized by the IATF or the Office of the President for the purpose of raising revenue for the government; and
- e) Outdoor sports courts or venues for contact sports, scrimmages, games, or activities;

The foregoing is likewise without prejudice to the authority of DTI to issue a negative list of industries that shall remain prohibited even in areas under GCQ.

*\* May operate Off-Track Betting stations limited to the purpose of selling tickets only pursuant to IATF Resolution No. 117 s.2021 issued on May 27, 2021.*

*\*\* Inclusion in the negative list of industries not allowed to operate suspended pursuant to IATF Resolution No. 115 s.2021 issued on 13 May 2021.*

**SECTION 5. SAFETY SEAL CERTIFICATION -**

Pursuant to Executive Order No. 30 and IATF-MEID Resolution No. 128, business establishments are highly encouraged to apply for a safety seal certification with the City of Mandaue. The owner or authorized representative of the business establishment may download from the website or online tool or secure from the Business Permit Licensing Office (BPLO) the appropriate checklist and perform self-assessment, through:

<https://sites.google.com/mandauecity.gov.ph/bplo/home>

As a form of additional incentive, business establishments awarded with Safety Seal Certifications shall be allowed to operate at an additional 10 percentage (10%) points beyond the prescribed on-site capacity or venue/seating capacity, whichever is applicable.





**SECTION 6. INTENSIFIED VACCINATION PROGRAM IN THE NEW NORMAL FOR BUSINESS ESTABLISHMENTS.** As part of the City's vaccination program, business establishments and employers shall endeavor to encourage their employees to get vaccinated as part of their occupational safety and health program compliance at their own expense or through the City of Mandaue vaccination operation. COVID-19 vaccine shots for Mandaue City residents or workers may be applied through:

<https://vims.com.ph/mandaue/vims/Register.aspx>

or

<http://tinyurl.com/MandaueVaccination>

However, any employee who refuses or fails to be vaccinated shall not be discriminated against in terms of tenure, training, pay, and other benefits, among others, or terminated from employment. No vaccine, no work policy shall not be allowed. Instead, business establishments are encouraged to create incentive programs to clients and employees alike which would increase vaccine confidence.

**SECTION 7. MANDATORY TESTING COMING IN PORTS AND OTHER POINTS OF ENTRY – ALL PERSONS**, whether coming from high risk or low risk areas outside Cebu Island, before entering the City of Mandaue through any of its ports and other points of entry, shall be required to present any proof of identity as mentioned in Section 2(b) par. 2 hereof, and any of the following documents: (a) Negative RT-PCR Test Result taken within the last 72 hours; or (b) Negative Antigen Test Result taken within the last 48 hours. The Tests must be conducted and performed by accredited and licensed testing centers and laboratories by the Department of Health.

Truck drivers and their assistant/s, (one assistant for six-wheeler trucks; two assistants for 10 wheeler trucks and up) delivering essential goods to the City from other ports, for five times a week or more, are exempted from compliance of this Section, but are still subject to the usual symptoms screening in their respective ports of entry.

Furthermore, the rules provided for in Executive Order No. 22 Series of 2021 shall be made applicable to all local government units (LGUs), outside Cebu Island, notwithstanding the quarantine status, except interzonal movement within Cebu Province/Island.

**SECTION 8. ACTS OF DISCRIMINATION ARE DENOUNCED.** Acts of discrimination inflicted upon workers, whether confirmed or recovered, or undergoing treatment, as well as suspect and probable cases, and persons under monitoring, are denounced in the strongest terms. Acts in furtherance of discrimination, such as, but not limited to, coercion, libel, slander, physical injuries, and dishonour of contractual obligations such as contracts of lease or employment, shall be dealt with criminally, civilly, and/or administratively.

**SECTION 9. ENFORCEMENT –** The Philippine National Police (PNP) – Mandaue City Police Office (MCPO), Legal Enforcement Unit, the Armed Forces of the Philippines (AFP), the Business Processing and Licensing Office (BPLO) of





Mandaue City, and other Mandaue City Regulatory Offices are hereby directed to implement the full extent of this Executive Order.

Further, all enforcement units together with barangay officials and other force multipliers are likewise mandated to implement the full extent of this Executive Order within their respective areas of jurisdiction, including regular roving, monitoring and visibility in public places, and the apprehension of violators and imposition of penalties under existing Ordinances.

**SECTION 10. VIOLATIONS.** Violation of any provision of this Order and other earlier Executive Orders issued in relation to the Covid-19 pandemic shall be subject to penalty pursuant to existing national law and local ordinances, without prejudice to the revocation of any special permit or business permits issued, and the closure of the business establishment.


**SECTION 11. INCORPORATION CLAUSE.** All laws, legal orders, rules and regulations that have been issued and/or will be issued by the duly constituted authorities of the Republic of the Philippines, particularly the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerginf Infectious Diseases, pertaining to public health and Covid-19 are hereby incorporated herein and made integral parts hereof.

**SECTION 12. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.** If any part or provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected shall remain valid and subsisting.

**SECTION 13. REPEALING CLAUSE.** All issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby superseded accordingly.

**SECTION 14. EFFECTIVITY.** This Executive Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain in force unless otherwise superseded or modified by subsequent Executive Orders and other issuances.

Done this 7<sup>th</sup> day of September 2021 at Mandaue City, Philippines.

  
**JONAS C. CORTES**  
City Mayor