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EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. <u>54</u> Series of 2020

AN EXECUTIVE ORDER PROVIDING FOR A SIMPLIFIED AND UNIFIED GUIDELINES FOR SEA AND AIR TRAVEL TO BOHOL FOR LOCALLY STRANDED INDIVIDUALS (LSIs), RETURNING OVERSEAS FILIPINOS (ROFs) AND AUTHORIZED PERSONS OUTSIDE OF RESIDENCE (APORs) AND ADOPTING A NEW QUARANTINE PROTOCOLS

WHEREAS, the Provincial Governor of Bohol is empowered to issue executive orders for the faithful and appropriate enforcement of laws and ordinances and to carry our such emergency measures during and in the aftermath of man-made and natural disasters and calamities under Section 465 (b) (1) (vii) in relation to Section 465 (b) (2) (iii) of R.A. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991;

WHEREAS, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease ("IATF") has issued Resolution No. 79 dated 15 October 2020 amending the Omnibus Guidelines for the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, by virtue of the changes and amendments to the IATF Omnibus Guidelines, there is a need to harmonize our local issuances with that of the IATF and to provide a unified and simplified guidelines for sea and air travel to seaports and airport in the Province of Bohol;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the above premises, I, ATTY. ARTHUR C. YAP, Governor of the Province of Bohol, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue the following guidelines:

SECTION 1. *Air Travel to Bohol.* – All domestic commercial flights shall be allowed subject to the condition that they will only transport LSIs, ROFs and APORs with complete travel documents required. Tourism-related travel shall be governed by a separate issuance to be issued by the undersigned.

SECTION 2. Repeal of the BIATF Clearance Requirement for Sea and Air Travel to Bohol. – The requirement for any passenger/traveler to obtain clearance from the Bohol Inter-Agency Task Force (BIATF) is hereby repealed. Every passenger/traveler shall only coordinate with the component city/municipalities for the issuance of the corresponding Certificate of Confirmation subject to their respective quarantine and testing protocols.

SECTION 3. Specific Air Travel Protocols. – The following protocols for domestic flights shall be strictly observed by all aircraft carrier operators whose aircraft carriers will land in Bohol, viz:

 All operators of domestic aircraft carriers transporting persons to the Province of Bohol shall make available hand sanitizers and other 4





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disinfectants at conspicuous places e.g. check-in counters for passengers. Protective face masks shall also be provided when needed.

- b. For LSIs. Upon check-in at the airport of origin, LSIs boarding aircraft carriers flying to the Province of Bohol shall, together with their confirmed plane tickets, shall present the following:
 - i. Travel Authority from the PNP JTF COVID Shield; and
 - ii. Letter of Confirmation from the LGU of residence in Bohol.
- c. For APORs (health and emergency frontline services personnel, Government officials and government frontline personnel, duly-authorized humanitarian assistance actors, persons traveling for medical or humanitarian reasons, persons going to the airport for travel abroad, anyone crossing zones for work or business permitted in the zone of destination, and going back home, and returning or repatriated Overseas Filipino Workers and other Overseas Filipinos returning to their places of residence, and 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), upon check-in, APORs boarding aircraft carriers flying to any of the local government unit within the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Bohol shall, together with their confirmed round trip plane tickets and Certification of Confirmation from the receiving LGU, present the following:
 - i. For Health and emergency frontline service personnel:
 - PRC License, Official Identification Card, Hospital Identification Card, or any other proof of their occupation
 - ii. For Government officials and government frontline personnel:
 - Official Identification Card of their office
 - iii. For Persons traveling for medical reasons:
 - Certificate from the Local Chief Executive of the LGU having jurisdiction over his or her residence as well as a Medical Certificate
 - iv. Persons traveling for humanitarian reasons:
 - Certificate from the Local Chief Executive of the LGU having jurisdiction over his or her residence
 - v. Persons traveling to Bohol for permitted work:
 - Company identification cards and a certificate of employment from their employer stating that they are still connected with the company







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vi. Owners of business establishments permitted to operate in the Bohol, including going back home:

Certificate from the Local Chief Executive of the LGU having jurisdiction over his or her residence

vii. Persons traveling to Bohol for connecting flights abroad:

Confirmed plane tickets and proof of their residence or work abroad

viii. Other professionals in permitted professions:

Proof of their profession and a document reflecting the purpose of their travel

- d. For OFWs and ROFs. Upon check-in, OFWs and ROFs boarding aircraft carriers flying to any of the local government unit within the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Bohol shall, together with their confirmed plane tickets and Certification of Confirmation from the receiving LGU, present:
 - Appropriate identification as OFW and/or Certificate from Overseas Workers Welfare Administration for OFW
 - ii. Any proof of residence for ROFs
- Persons with incomplete documents shall not be allowed to board the aircraft.
- f. During check-in, they shall then submit themselves for temperature checking using a thermal gun. Other visible symptoms such as, but not limited to, fever, cough, colds, body weakness, and difficulty breathing, shall also be checked. Passengers showing such symptoms shall not be allowed to board the aircraft carrier bound for Bohol.
- g. While en route to Bohol, passengers shall be required to fill up a Passenger Personal Health Declaration Form (PPHDF). Thereafter, the accomplished PPHDF shall be collected in-flight by designated airline personnel and turned over to the Department of Health and the Bureau of Quarantine in Bohol. No person shall be allowed to deplane until he or she was able to submit a PPHDF.
- h. If during the flight, a passenger becomes symptomatic of the COVID-19, he or she shall be isolated during the flight at the tail end of the aircraft. Upon arrival in Bohol, he or she shall be accompanied to the designated holding area by ground personnel and turned over to the Bureau of Quarantine for assessment. The symptomatic person shall deplane last.







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- No passenger shall be allowed to leave the airport premises without being received by the corresponding extracting team from the receiving LGU and/or accredited accommodation facilities.
- j. The aircraft operator shall submit a regular report to the Provincial Government of Bohol reflecting the number of persons entering Bohol with the dates of entry and exit to the Province.



SECTION 4. Specific Sea Travel Protocols. – Public marine transportation shall operate within the MGCQ zone in accordance with Marina Advisory No. 2020-29 dated April 30, 2020 (Guidelines on the resumption of operation of passenger ships in areas under General Community Quarantine and Enhanced Community Quarantine), and such other guidelines issued by the DOTr and/or Maritime Industry Authority (MARINA).

To this end, passenger vessels and ferry operators shall observe the following protocols:

- Observe the list of routes and their corresponding rates prescribed by the Maritime Industry Authority.
- b. Shall only be allowed to carry 50% of their regular on-board capacity provided that passengers shall, at all times during the voyage, observe the one (1) meter distance physical distancing requirement. To ensure compliance with the physical distancing requirement, visible markings shall be drawn or installed where passengers and crew sit, gather, and converge.
- c. Upon check-in, all passengers shall present all documentary requirements. The provisions in Section 3 (b) and (c) of this Guidelines for air travel shall be applicable in sea travel or maritime transport. Persons with incomplete documents shall not be allowed to board the vessel.
- d. Upon check-in, passengers shall submit themselves for temperature checking using a thermal gun. Other visible symptoms such as, but not limited to, fever, cough, colds, body weakness, and difficulty breathing, shall also be checked. Passengers showing such symptoms shall not be allowed to board the passenger vessel.
- e. All passenger vessels and ferry operators ferrying passengers shall provide their passengers with a *Passenger Personal Detail Form* (PPDF) to be filled up by the passengers. Thereafter, the accomplished PPDF shall be collected by designated passenger vessel personnel and turned over to the DOH.
- f. Hand sanitizers and other disinfectants shall be made available to passengers at all times.
- g. Disinfecting footbath shall be provided in all entry and exit access points of the vessel for passengers and crew.





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- h. All crew members and passengers are required to wear facemasks at all times. Persons without facemasks shall not be allowed to embark the sea vessel
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- Passengers that show symptoms of the COVID-19 while in transit shall be isolated in the identified isolation area of the vessel who will then be turned over to the Municipal or City Health Officer of the LGU of destination.
- j. No passenger shall be allowed to leave the seaport premises without being received by the corresponding extraction team from the receiving LGU and/or accredited accommodation facilities.

SECTION 5. New Quarantine Protocols. - The Resolution Recommending New Health Measures and Health Protocols for Returning Overseas Filipinos (ROFs), Locally Stranded Individuals (LSI), Overseas Filipino Workers (OFW), and Authorized Persons Outside of Residence (APOR) Entering the Province of Bohol passed by the League of Municipalities of the Philippines-Bohol Chapter is hereby adopted. These new quarantine protocols, which will be effective on 01 December 2020, are as follows:

- a. ROFs, LSIs, and OFWs entering the province without undergoing a PCR Test not more than 72-hours prior to their arrival or upon their arrival in the province shall undergo 14-day quarantine in an approved government quarantine facility. ROFs, LSIs, and OFWs may undergo quarantine in a private quarantine facility for the same period of 14-days, provided, that, the ROFs, LSIs, and OFWs are the sole occupants of their homes and upon approval by the Rural Health Unit (RHU) with the endorsement of the Chief Executive of the local government unit.
- b. ROFs, LSIs, and OFWs entering the province <u>after having undergone a PCR Test not more than 72-hours prior to their arrival</u>, if test results are negative, may be allowed to undergo quarantine in a private quarantine facility for a period of 10-days, provided, that, said ROF, LSI, or OFW shall be isolated in a private room away from the rest of the occupants of the household and upon approval by the Rural Health Unit (RHU) with the endorsement of the Chief Executive of the local government unit.
- c. ROFs, LSIs, and OFWs entering the province after having undergone a PCR Test upon their arrival or anytime during his/her stay in the quarantine facility, upon release of their results, and with a negative result and asymptomatic, may be allowed to undergo quarantine in a private quarantine facility for a period of 10-days, provided, that, said ROF, LSI, or OFW may be isolated in a private room away from the rest of the occupants of the household and upon approval by the Rural Health Unit (RHU), with the endorsement of the Chief Executive of the local government unit, provided, finally, that said persons shall be confined in a government quarantine facility pending release of their PCR Test Results.





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- d. ROFs, LSIs, or OFWs shall be endorsed and monitored by the Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERT).
- e. An APOR shall undergo a <u>PCR Test not more than 72-hours prior to his/her arrival</u> in the province, and if test results are negative, he/she may be permitted to go only to specified place/s for the purpose of his/her visit and is discouraged to go anywhere outside of specified areas and limit interaction with individuals other than those directly involved in the purpose of his/her visit, provided, that, if he/she shall stay for more than five (5) days he/she shall undergo a repeat PCR Test on the 5th day and shall remain in the quarantine facility until he/she receives a negative result.

SECTION 6. REPEALING CLAUSE. – All Executive Orders and other issuances which are inconsistent herewith are deemed repealed and modified accordingly.

SECTION 7. EFFECTIVITY. – This Order shall take effect on **12:01 of 01 December 2020** and shall continue to take effect unless repealed or modified.

DONE this 20th day of November 2020 in the City of Tagbilaran, Bohol, Philippines.

ATTY. ARTHÚR C. YAP

Governor Province of Bohol