



Republic of the Philippines
City Government of Meycauayan
Province of Bulacan

Office of the City Mayor

**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 001
Series of 2022**

AN ORDER IMPLEMENTING ALERT LEVEL 3 IN THE CITY OF MEYCAUAYAN, ADOPTING THE IATF GUIDELINES ON THE NATIONWIDE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALERT LEVEL SYSTEM FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE AND EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1, SERIES OF 2022 OF THE GOVERNOR OF BULACAN.

(EFFECTIVE 05 JANUARY 2022 UNTIL LIFTED)

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

WHEREAS, on September 10, 2021, the President issued Proclamation No. 1218, (s.2021) further extending the period of the State of Calamity throughout the Philippines until September 12, 2022, unless earlier lifted or extended as circumstances may warrant;

WHEREAS, a new B.1.1.529 variant designated as Variant of Concern and named *Omicron* was detected to have local community transmission within the country, and proactive measures and restrictions must be put in place.

WHEREAS, due to this new COVID-19 variant, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) placed the whole province of Bulacan under Alert Level 3, starting January 05, 2022 through Resolution No. 155-A Series of 2022;

WHEREAS, Governor Daniel R. Fernando issued E.O. No. 1, Series of 2022 on 04 January 2022, ordering the adoption and implementation of the IATF guidelines for Alert Level 3 within the whole Province of Bulacan;

WHEREAS, in furtherance of order in the community, the guidelines and protocols under the Provincial Executive Order No. 1, Series of 2022, and the Guidelines on the Nationwide Implementation of Alert Level System for Covid-19 Response (as of December 14, 2021) be adopted and supplemented during the effectivity and implementation of the Alert Level 3 in the City of Meycauayan;

WHEREAS, R.A. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, and R.A. 9356, also known as the Charter of the City of Meycauayan, authorize the City Mayor to carry out such emergency measures as may be necessary during and in the aftermath of man-made and natural disasters and calamities;

NOW, THEREFORE, by the power vested in me by law, I, **LINABELLE RUTH R. VILLARICA**, do hereby order:

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SECTION 1. APPLICATION. The protocols outlined in this Order shall be applicable during the implementation of Alert Level 3 in the City.

SECTION 2. IMPLEMENTING THE GUIDELINES ON THE NATIONWIDE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALERT LEVEL SYSTEM FOR COVID-19 RESPONSE. The applicable provisions of Guidelines on the Nationwide Implementation of Alert Level System for Covid-19 Response (as of December 14, 2021) on the enforcement of Alert Level 3 in the Province of Bulacan are hereby adopted, more particularly:

1. Intrazonal and interzonal movement shall be allowed. However, reasonable restrictions may be imposed by the City Government of Meycauayan, which should not be stricter as those prescribed under higher alert levels and subject to the oversight, monitoring, and evaluation of their respective RIATF. Provided that those below eighteen (18) years of age, and those belonging to the vulnerable population, shall be allowed access to obtain essential goods and services, or for work in permitted industries and offices in accordance with existing labor laws, rules, and regulations. Individual outdoor exercises shall also be allowed for all ages regardless of comorbidities or vaccination status.
2. The following establishments and/or activities characterized as high-risk for transmission shall not be allowed to operate, or be undertaken in areas classified under Alert Level 3:
 - a. Face to face or in-person classes for basic education, except those previously approved by the IATF and/or the Office of the President;
 - b. Contact sports, except those conducted under a bubble-type setup as provided for under relevant guidelines adopted by the IATF, Games and Amusement Board, and Philippine Sports Commission, and approved by the City Government of Meycauayan;
 - c. *Funfairs/peryas* and kid amusement industries such as playgrounds, playroom, and kiddie rides;
 - d. Venues with live voice or wind-instrument performers and audiences such as in karaoke bars, clubs, concert halls, and theaters;
 - e. 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; and
 - f. Gatherings in residences with individuals not belonging to the same household.
3. The following establishments, or activities, shall be allowed to operate or be undertaken at a maximum of 30% indoor venue capacity FOR FULLY VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS ONLY and 50% outdoor venue capacity. Provided that all on-site workers/employees of these establishments, and organizers of activities are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and MPHS shall be strictly maintained; *provided*, further, that there is no objection from the LGU where these activities may take place; *provided*, finally, that it shall be the responsibility of the owners of the establishments/businesses and event

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organizers to ensure that the persons to be allowed inside the venues of these activities are fully vaccinated and do not exhibit any symptoms of COVID-19.

- a. Venues for meetings, incentives, conferences, and exhibitions (MICE);
 - b. Permitted venues for social events such as parties, wedding receptions, engagement parties, wedding anniversaries, debut and birthday parties, family reunions, and bridal or baby showers;
 - c. Visitor or tourist attractions such as libraries, archives, museums, galleries, exhibits, parks, plazas, public gardens, scenic viewpoints or overlooks, and the like;
 - d. Amusement parks or theme parks;
 - e. Recreational venues such as internet cafes, billiard halls, amusement arcades, bowling alleys, swimming pools, and similar venues;
 - f. Cinemas and movie houses;
 - g. Limited face-to-face or in-person classes for higher education and for technical-vocational education and training;
 - h. In-person religious gatherings; gatherings for necrological services, wakes, inurnment, and funerals for those who died of causes other than COVID-19 and for the cremains of the COVID-19 deceased;
 - i. Dine-in services in food preparation establishments such as kiosks, commissaries, restaurants, and eateries, subject to DTI sector-specific protocols;
 - j. Personal care establishments such as barbershops, hair spas, hair salons, and nail spas, and those offering aesthetic/cosmetic services or procedures, make-up services,
 - k. Salons, spas, reflexology, and other similar procedures including home service options, subject to the sector-specific protocols of the DTI;
 - l. Fitness studios, gyms, and venues for non-contact exercise and times and that no group activities are conducted; and
 - m. Film, music, and television production, subject to the joint guidelines as may be issued by the DTI, DOLE, and the DOH.
4. Agencies and instrumentalities of the city government shall remain to be fully operational and shall adhere to at least a 60% on-site workforce. Those assigned to work off-site shall be subject to alternative work arrangements as approved by the head of agency in accordance with the relevant rules and regulations issued by the Civil Service Commission (CSC). Heads of agencies providing health and emergency frontline services, laboratory and testing services, border control, or other critical services shall operate at a workforce beyond the minimum as may be necessary to deliver their mandates.

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5. Passenger capacity for Public Utility Buses (PUBs), Public Utility Jeeps (PUJs), UV Express shall be at 70%. (*LTFRB Memorandum Circular 2021-064*).

SECTION 3. QUARANTINE AND ISOLATION PERIODS. The current local quarantine and isolation periods and protocols as embodied under Department of Health Administrative Order No. 2021-0043 or the Omnibus Guidelines on the Minimum Public Health Standards for the Safe Reopening of Institutions are hereby reiterated for strict compliance of all stakeholders, as follows:

- a. Ten (10)-day isolation of positive cases for asymptomatic, mild, and moderate cases;
- b. Twenty-one (21) days isolation of positive cases for severe and critical cases;
- c. Seven days (7) quarantine for close contacts who are fully vaccinated; and
- d. Fourteen days (14) quarantine of close contacts and travelers for unvaccinated and partially vaccinated individuals.

SECTION 4. MANDATORY OBSERVANCE OF MINIMUM PUBLIC HEALTH STANDARDS. The strict observance of the minimum public health standards, which include physical distancing, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, and wearing of face masks, among others, shall be mandatory and indispensable, and must be complied with at all times in all of the permitted activities, industries, or venues.

SECTION 5. CURFEW HOURS. The City-wide curfew shall be from 11 o'clock in the evening until 4 o'clock in the morning the next day, during which no person shall be allowed outside of residence, except those in need of emergency services and those allowed to work in permitted industries. However, Authorized Persons Outside of their Residences (APORs), as defined in previous executive orders, and workers, cargo vehicles, public transportation, and operating hours of permitted establishments shall not be restricted by such curfew.

SECTION 6. STORE OPERATING HOURS - Operating Hours for the following industries shall be:

- a. Wet and Dry Market - Four o'clock in the morning (4:00 AM) up to Five o'clock in the afternoon (5:00 PM) only; and
- b. Other Stores and Groceries - Five o'clock in the morning (5:00 AM) up to Ten o'clock in the evening (10:00 PM) only.

SECTION 7. ENFORCEMENT. The Philippine National Police assigned in the City of Meycauayan, Barangay Officials and Tanods, and the Business Permits and Licenses Office shall strictly implement the provisions of this Executive Order, as well as the relevant issuances by the national government for the effective implementation of Alert Level 3 in the City. They shall ensure that the security protocols are maintained in lockdown areas.

Any person found violating any of the provisions under this Executive Order shall be penalized under Article 151 of the Revised Penal Code, RA 11332, and such other applicable laws and ordinances. For business establishments, the revocation of their business permits.

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SECTION 8. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE. Should any provision of this Order be declared unconstitutional or inconsistent with law, the other remaining parts thereof shall remain valid in full force and effect.

SECTION 9. REPEALING CLAUSE. All executive orders, related rules and regulations, and other issuances of parts thereof that are inconsistent with this Executive Order are hereby replaced or modified accordingly.

SECTION 10. INCORPORATION CLAUSE. All of the issuances of the National Government, IATF-MEID, Bulacan Provincial Government, including the *IATF-MEID Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines*, and their Amendments, the *IATF Guidelines on the Implementation of Alert Levels System for COVID-19 Response in Pilot Areas* and such other pertinent laws, rules, and regulations that have been issued and/or will be issued by the authorized officials and agencies of the national government in relation to COVID-19 and the current alert level status of the province and the city, are hereby adopted and incorporated, and shall form integral parts hereof.

SECTION 11. EFFECTIVITY. This *Executive Order* shall take effect IMMEDIATELY. Any previous order inconsistent herewith shall be deemed repealed.

Done this JAN 05 2022, at the City of Meycauayan, Bulacan.



LINABELLE RUTH R. VILLARICA
City Mayor