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Zamboanga del Norte



**Executive Order No. 22-17**  
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**AN EXECUTIVE ORDER PLACING THE PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL NORTE UNDER  
ALERT LEVEL 2 AND PROVIDING GUIDELINES FOR ITS IMPLEMENTATION**

**WHEREAS**, on November 11, 2021, President Rodrigo R. Duterte issued Executive Order No. 151, Approving the Implementation of the Alert Level System for Covid-19 Response;

**WHEREAS**, Zamboanga del Norte will be placed under Alert Level 2 of the Alert Level System for Covid-19 Response for the period March 15-31, 2022;

**WHEREAS**, Section 5 of the Guidelines on the National Implementation of Alert Level System for Covid-19 Response as of December 14, 2021, provides a set of guidelines for areas placed under Alert Level 2;

**WHEREAS**, under the General Welfare Clause of the Local Government Code of 1991, local government units shall ensure and support the promotion of health and safety which is consistent with the state policy for the promotion of health under the 1987 Constitution of the Philippines;

**WHEREAS**, Section 4 (p) of Republic Act No. 11494, otherwise known as the "Bayanihan to Recover as One Act" ensures, as part of the Covid-19 Response and Recovery Intervention of the government, that all LGUs are acting within the letter and spirit of all the rules, regulations and directives issued by the national government pursuant to this Act; and implementing standards of CQ consistent with what the national government has laid down for the subject area, while allowing LGUs to continue exercising their autonomy in matters undefined by the national government or are within the parameters it has set; and are fully cooperating towards a unified, cohesive and orderly implementation of the national policy to address COVID-19: Provided, That pursuant to the constitutional right of freedom of movement of persons, the IATF-EID shall be responsible for providing guidelines on cross-border concerns, including, but not limited to, Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs), OFWs, domestic travellers and residents, while the LGUs shall determine the policies and regulations within their respective jurisdiction;

**WHEREAS**, the PIATF recommends to implement the guidelines for Alert 2 and retaining such other necessary measures to fully and effectively contain the spread of COVID-19 in the province;

**NOW, THEREFORE, I, ROBERTO Y. UY**, Governor of the Province of Zamboanga del Norte, by virtue of the powers vested in me by the Local Government Code and such other laws, do hereby order:

**Section 1. Implementation of Alert Level System.** The entire Province of Zamboanga del Norte shall be placed under Alert Level 2 for the period March 15-31, 2022.

**Section 2. Compliance of Minimum Public Health Standards.** Public Health protocols such as the wearing of face mask and the observance of social distancing measures of at least one (1) meter/3-feet radius between people shall be complied with at all times when in public places. The use of full-face shields shall be voluntary.



Moreover, the new customary gesture of goodwill, praise and respect which is the simple act of gracefully laying the palm of the right hand over the center of the chest with a simultaneous slight head nod shall be adopted as an alternative gesture to the traditional handshake in order to reduce the chances of COVID-19 transmission.

**Section 3. Interzonal and Intrazonal Movement.** *Interzonal movement* refers to the movement of people, goods and services across areas under different community quarantine classifications while *Intrazonal movement* refers to the movement of people, goods and services between localities under the same quarantine community quarantine classifications, without transiting through an area placed under a different classification.

**3.1 Persons Allowed to Enter the Province.** The following persons shall be permitted entry into the Province of Zamboanga del Norte, ***provided, that the following requirements are complied with and shall pass symptoms screening at the point of entry/exit, viz:***

PERSONNEL OF DELIVERY VEHICLES FOR GOODS, CARGO, TRUCKING, AND COURIER SERVICES	
NOTE: <b><i>(Maximum of five (5) personnel shall be allowed .)</i></b>	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Valid Identification Card with picture</li> <li>Proof of employment</li> <li>Cargo manifest or delivery receipt indicating the destination, nature and quantity of loaded goods/cargoes</li> <li>Good's pass <i>(whenever applicable)</i></li> </ol>	
Quarantine: NONE	
OTHER INDIVIDUALS	
VACCINATED	PARTIALLY VACCINATED/ UNVACCINATED
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vaccination Card</li> <li>Identification Card with picture</li> </ol> <p><b><i>Additional Requirement for Individuals coming from Areas under Alert Level 4 and 5:</i></b> Negative Antigen test result (dated at most 3 days prior to travel)</p> <p>Quarantine:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Complete requirements: NONE</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Negative Antigen test result (dated at most 5 days prior to travel)</li> <li>Identification Card with picture</li> <li>Approved Travel Coordination Permit (S-pass) or Letter of Acceptance</li> </ol> <p>Quarantine:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>With Negative Antigen result: NONE</li> <li>Uncoordinated and/or without test results: 5 days</li> </ol>

<p><b>NOTE:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An individual shall be considered as fully vaccinated for Covid-19: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>More than or equal to 2 weeks after having received the second dose in a 2-dose vaccine, or</li> <li>More than or equal to 2 weeks after having received the single-dose vaccine (Johnson &amp; Johnson vaccine only).</li> </ol> </li> <li>The negative RT-PCR/Antigen test result requirement for unvaccinated/partially</li> </ul>
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vaccinated individuals or individuals coming from Alert Level 4 and % areas shall not be required to **children 11 years old and below**. Provided, that the companion/s of the said children are fully vaccinated or presents a negative RT-PCR/Antigen test results. Provided, further, that quarantine period of children aged 11 and below shall be the same as to the quarantine period of their adult companion/s. Children 12 to 17 years old shall comply with the requirements for Other Individuals under Section 3.1. of this Order

- All persons manifesting symptoms of COVID-19 and persons with a body temperature above 37.5 degree Celsius upon screening at any QCPs shall be DENIED ENTRY. However, if the person manifesting symptoms at the QCP is a resident of the province he/she may be permitted entry but shall be subjected to a mandatory quarantine under 3.6 hereof.
- Personnel of delivery vehicles for goods, cargo, trucking and courier services from areas placed under Alert Level 4 and 5 shall be permitted entry into the province.

**3.2 Movement of Persons within the Province.** Movement of all persons shall be allowed within the province.

Provided, that unvaccinated individuals shall be required to remain at home. However, unvaccinated individuals shall be allowed access to obtain essential goods and services, or for work in permitted industries and offices subject to the guidelines provided under Section 18 hereof.

Individual outdoor exercises shall also be allowed, however, for unvaccinated individuals, it shall only be allowed within the general area of residence, e.g., within the barangay, purok, subdivision, or village.

**3.3 Passage of Goods.** The passage of goods, especially food, medicines, fuel and other materials needed in agriculture and manufacturing, in and out of the Province of Zamboanga del Norte shall not be hampered. This shall include the passage of vehicles that are passing through or in-transit to pick-up and deliver goods.

All vehicles transporting goods into the Province of Zamboanga del Norte are subject to thorough inspection and disinfection protocols at the provincial checkpoints. A Declaration of Goods, Cargoes and Supplies shall be filled up upon entry. After undergoing inspection, disinfection and other checkpoint protocols the aforesaid declaration shall be marked "cleared" by an authorized member of the PNP manning the provincial checkpoint.

All vehicles transporting goods into the Province are prohibited from carrying passengers. Likewise, all goods, cargoes and supplies shall be allowed into the Province, EXCEPT prohibited goods and contrabands.

**3.4 Mandatory Quarantine.** No quarantine shall be imposed upon fully vaccinated individuals and partially vaccinated/unvaccinated individuals with negative antigen test results and approved travel coordination permit (TCP).

Quarantine shall only be mandatory for partially vaccinated and unvaccinated individuals without compliance to the negative antigen test result requirement shall be subjected to a **10-days mandatory quarantine** at a designated isolation facility of the concerned LGU, thus, home quarantine shall not be allowed in this circumstance. As such, LGUs shall be responsible to fetch them in the border QCPs of this province and directly isolate them.

Provided, further, that uncoordinated travel of vaccinated and partially vaccinated/unvaccinated individuals despite having complied to such other requirements shall be subjected to a **5-days mandatory quarantine**, respectively, at a designated isolation facility of the concerned LGU or at home if qualified under DOH guidelines.



DOH protocols shall strictly be observed and followed in every Temporary Treatment Monitoring Facility (TTMF) of cities/municipalities. LGUs shall be responsible for any breach of protocols in their respective TTMFs.

**3.4.1 Mandatory Quarantine for Exposed individuals, Covid Suspect, and Covid19 patients.** Fully vaccinated individuals who are close contacts of probable and confirmed COVID-19 cases may undergo a 7-day quarantine period, provided that the individual remains asymptomatic for the duration of the seven-day period with the first day being the date immediately after the last exposure.

In the event that (RT-PCR) Test needs to be performed on the asymptomatic individual, it may be tested not earlier than the fifth day after the date of the last exposure.

For close contacts who may have been traced beyond the seventh day from last exposure and who have remained asymptomatic, no testing and quarantine shall be required.

Should the RT-PCR Test yield a positive result, or he/she becomes symptomatic, he/she shall follow the prescribed testing and isolation protocols.

Unvaccinated or partially vaccinated individuals who are close contacts of probable and confirmed COVID-19 cases shall undergo a 14-day quarantine period pursuant to DOH guidelines.

**3.4.2 Affidavit of Undertaking.** All individuals required to undergo a mandatory quarantine shall execute an Affidavit of Undertaking attesting his/her consent to the same.

**Section 4. Quarantine Control Points and other Border Control.** There shall be a Quarantine Control Point (QCP) established at every point of entry into the Province. All QCPs shall conduct health checks of every inbound passengers. Personnel manning the QCPs shall be responsible to collect, review and assess all Declaration Forms and submit the same to the PIATF.

- A. Land Travel - All established provincial checkpoints shall remain operational. It shall be the responsibility of the Philippine National Police and Army Reservists to secure all major entry and exit points of the Province.

QCP personnel shall ensure that all individuals requesting entry complies with the requirements provided under Section 3.1 of this Order before permitted entry into the Province.

- B. Seaports – The members of the Philippine Ports Authority, Philippine Coastguard, the PNP Maritime Group and MARINA in coordination with the concerned local government units shall be responsible to secure every entry and exit points for sea transport of the Province.

The Philippine Coastguard shall ensure that all passengers of vessels travelling to the Province of Zamboanga del Norte complies with all the requirements provided under Section 3 of this Order.

The Philippine Ports Authority shall see to it that crew members of docking vessels are only allowed to disembark within the wharves of the sea ports with strict compliance to the minimum public health standards.

- C. Airports – The officers and members of the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippine in coordination with the PNP Aviation Security Unit and the concerned local government units (LGU) shall be responsible to secure every entry and exit points for air transport of the Province.



The Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippine shall make sure that crew members of every aircraft are only allowed to disembark within tarmacs of the airports with strict compliance to the minimum public health standards.

- D. **Secondary Entry and Exit Points.** All secondary entry and exit points in the Province of Zamboanga del Norte shall be secured by the concerned local government unit. The establishment of checkpoints for this purpose shall be allowed. Further, concerned LGUs are urged to pass a resolution for the temporary closure of roads, identified as secondary entry/exit points of the province for a 30-day period.

All local chief executives (LCEs) of the eighteen (18) coastal cities and municipalities of the Province of Zamboanga del Norte are reminded to secure their coastal borders from unpermitted entry. Coastal communities are encouraged to report any violations of this Order to their respective BHERTs, for appropriate action.

- E. **CITY/MUNICIPAL CHECKPOINTS** – Cities/municipalities with high/rising number of Covid-19 cases may, under the supervision of the PNP, establish their own checkpoints to restrict the movements of persons as may be necessary.

**Section 5. Public and Private Transportation.** 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.**

As a condition for continuing their operations, public transportation services in the road, rail, maritime, and aviation sectors shall require all their eligible workers to be fully vaccinated

The airline, bus line, and shipping line companies shall be responsible in ensuring that all passengers on-board airplanes, busses, and vessels complies with the requirements provided in Section 3.1 of this Order. Hence, no passenger shall be allowed to board absent any requirements under the said section.

**5.1 Passenger Manifest for Buses.** For every trip, buses are required to provide a passenger manifest along with the names of its driver and conductors, and the time and date of their departure and arrival. This document shall be submitted to the Provincial Tourism Office, Capitol, Estaka, Zamboanga del Norte every after trip.

**Section 6. Province Wide Curfew.** There shall be a province wide curfew hour to be adopted by all LGUs in the province which shall be from **12:00 MN to 4:00 AM** for adults, while from **10PM to 6:00 AM** for minors.

The PNP shall conduct regular monitoring during the curfew hours and ensure increased police visibility in the communities in order to ensure that no individual violates the curfew hours, except frontliners and employees of establishments allowed to operate beyond the curfew hours.

**Section 7. REGULATIONS OF ESTABLISHMENTS AND ACTIVITIES.** The operation of establishments shall be undertaken in accordance with the following guidelines, to wit:

**REGULATED ESTABLISHMENTS.** The following establishments, or activities, shall be allowed to operate, or be undertaken at a **maximum of 50% indoor venue capacity and those and 70% outdoor venue capacity**. Provided, that all workers/employees of these establishments 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.

- 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, skating rinks, archery halls, swimming pools, and similar venues;
- f. Cinemas and movie houses;
- g. Limited face-to-face or in-person classes for basic education subject to prior approval of the Office of the President;
- h. Limited face-to-face or in-person classes for higher education and for technical-vocational education and training;
- i. 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;
- j. Licensure or entrance/qualifying examinations administered by their respective government agency, and specialty examinations authorized by the IATF subject to the health and safety guidelines as approved by the IATF;
- k. Dine-in services of food preparation establishments such as kiosks, commissaries, restaurants, and eateries, subject to DTI sector-specific protocols;
- l. Personal care establishments such as barbershops, hair spas, hair salons, and nail spas, and those offering aesthetic/cosmetic services or procedures, make-up services, salons, spas, reflexology, and other similar procedures including home service options, subject to the sector-specific protocols of the DTI;
- m. Fitness studios, gyms, and venues for individual non-contact exercise and sports; Provided that patrons/clients and workers/employees wear face masks at all times and subject to DTI sector-specific protocols.
- n. Film, music, and television production subject to the joint guidelines as may be issued by the DTI, DOLE, and the DOH;
- o. Contact sports approved by the LGU where such games shall be held;
- p. Funfairs/peryas or kid amusement industries such as playgrounds, playroom, and kiddie rides;
- q. Venues with live voice or wind-instrument performers and audiences such as in karaoke bars, clubs, concert halls, and theaters; and
- r. Gatherings in residences with individuals not belonging to the same household.

**REGULATION ON THE OPERATION OF COCKPITS AND COCKFIGHTING.** The operation of cockpits and cockfighting shall be allowed subject to the strict observance of the following specific protocols:

1. Maximum of fifty percent (50%) venue capacity for fully vaccinated individuals only;
2. All on-site workers/employees of these establishments are fully vaccinated against COVID-19; and
3. Betting shall be cashless and shall use technology-based platforms only, i.e., no physical exchange of cash anywhere in the cockpit and no oral placing of bets.

**OTHER REGULATIONS.** All other establishment and activities not mentioned in the two preceding paragraphs are allowed to operate, or be undertaken at **maximum of 50% indoor venue capacity and 70% outdoor venue capacity**. Essential establishments shall be allowed to operate at full capacity.

**ESTABLISHMENT WITH SAFETY SEAL CERTIFICATION.** Establishments with Safety Seal Certification are allowed to operate with an additional ten percent (10%) venue/seating capacity.

**ADDITIONAL CAPACITY.** Establishments catering only fully vaccinated individuals are allowed to operate with an additional ten percent (10%) venue/seating capacity apart from the additional capacity provided under the immediately preceding paragraph.



**ADHERENCE TO DTI ISSUANCES.** All issuances of the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) following the recommendations of the IATD-EID Resolutions shall be adhered, whenever applicable, by all business establishments in the Province.

**Section 8. Work in Government Offices.** Agencies and instrumentalities of the government shall remain to be fully operational and shall adhere to at least 50% on-site capacity while applying work-from-home and other flexible work arrangements.

**Section 9. Persons Deprived of Liberty.** In pursuance to DILG Memorandum dated May 13, 2020 relative to the subject "COVID-19 Testing for Persons Deprived of Liberty before Commitment to Jails and prior to Release", all Persons Deprived of Liberty must undergo Covid-19 testing before commitment to a jail facility and prior to release therefrom.

**Section 10. Regulation on the Use of Rapid Antigen Test Kits.** The collection and processing of specimens shall only be conducted in a health facility accredited by the DOH. The use of Rapid Antigen Test Kits shall be in accordance with DOH Department Memorandum No. 2020-0468. "Supplemental Guidance on the Use of Rapid Antigen Test Kits."

**Section 11. Handling of the Dead.** The management of human remains for suspected or confirmed COVID 19 cases shall strictly comply with the DILG Memorandum Circular No. 2020 - 063 dated March 27, 2020 and DOH recommended guidelines and procedures and consistent with the guidelines provided under DILG Advisory dated October 25, 2021, Burial Option for Decedents who succumbed to Dangerous Communicable Diseases, such as Covid-19. Shipment of human remains or cremains of foreign nationals and locals shall strictly adhere to the guidelines of the Bureau of Quarantine.

Private funeral parlors are directed not to take any cadavers without a death certificate indicating the cause of death as not covid related. As such, if the same is found to be covid related, funeral parlors are advised to call the proper authorities to handle the dead body.

**Section 12. Implementation of Granular Lockdowns.** In the event that COVID-19 cases in the province becomes overwhelming, the Provincial Governor and/or concerned local chief executive may impose granular lockdowns as may deemed necessary in the affected component cities, municipalities and barangays of the Province, with due notice to the Regional Inter-Agency Task Force. Zoning Containment Strategies shall be adopted for this matter.

**Section 13. Conformity to Various Issuances of the IATF-EID, Government Agencies and Instrumentalities.** Subsequent issuances and directives from the IATF-EID, government agencies and instrumentalities during the effectivity of this Executive Order shall be deemed incorporated hereto in so far as it may be applicable.

**Section 14. Adherence by the City/Municipal Local Government Units.** All Chief Executives of City/Municipal local government units in the Province shall adhere to the provisions of this Order and shall refrain from executing any other rules and regulations which are outside its parameters unless the same are with prior approval from the RIATF.

**Section 15. Vaccination of Individuals below 18 years of age.** Parents are encouraged to have their children age 17 years old and below vaccinated against Covid-19 and children 11 years old and below vaccinated against flu and pneumonia. Further, local chief executives are encouraged to procure flu and pneumonia vaccines for indigent individuals age 11 years old and below, whenever funds are available.

**Section 16. Contingency Measures during Surge.** All local government units are mandated to prepare contingency measures during surge, such as to create a scheme for referral of patients, increase of number of beds in the hospitals, procurements of medicines, medical supplies and equipment, augmentation of personnel in the frontline service, ensure availability of transport vehicles, and such other measures necessary to address a surge of cases.

Moreover, local chief executives are mandated to procure medical oxygens in preparation of possible shortage of supplies due to the increasing number of Covid19 cases in



Region IX and to ensure availability of oxygen units in every emergency transport vehicles and prevent mortalities.

**Section 17. Covid-19 Vaccination Incentive Program.** Local chief executives are urged to formulate a vaccination incentive program providing rewards/incentives to business establishments giving out discounts, freebies, promos to fully vaccinated individuals or such other schemes employed that will encourage individuals to be vaccinated. This is to address the need to fully implement Covid-19 vaccination roll-out and reached the vaccination goal percentage of the province.

**Section 18. Vaccination of Individuals in Public and Private Establishments.** Per IATF Resolution No. 148-B, Series of 2021, dated November 11, 2021, in areas where there are sufficient supplies of COVID-19 vaccines as determined by the National Vaccines Operation Center (NVOC), all establishments and employers in the public and private sector shall require their eligible employees who are tasked to do on-site work to be vaccinated against COVID-19. Eligible employees who remain to be unvaccinated may not be terminated solely by reason thereof. However, they shall be required to undergo RT-PCR tests regularly at their own expense for purposes of on-site work. Provided that, antigen tests may be resorted to when RT-PCR capacity is insufficient or not immediately available.

Public and private establishments, even if not required by the Guidelines on the Implementation of Alert Levels System for COVID-19 Response in Pilot Areas to accommodate only fully vaccinated individuals, may nonetheless validly refuse entry and/or deny service to individuals who remain to be unvaccinated, or are merely partially vaccinated, despite being eligible for vaccination. Provided that frontline and emergency services shall continue to render assistance to all persons regardless of vaccination status.

**Section 19. Acts of Discrimination.** Acts of discrimination inflicted upon healthcare workers, repatriated OFWs and non-OFWs, COVID-19 cases, whether confirmed, recovered or undergoing treatment, as well as suspect and probable cases, and Persons under Monitoring are denounced in the strongest of terms. Acts in furtherance of discrimination, such as, but not limited to, coercion, libel, slander, physical injuries and the dishonor of contractual obligations such as contracts of lease or employment, shall be dealt with criminally, civilly, and/or administratively. All Chief Executives of City/Municipal local government units in the Province are enjoined to enact ordinances prohibiting and penalizing these discriminatory acts.

**Section 20. Sanctions and Penalties.** Violations to any of the provisions of this guidelines which includes falsification of vaccination card and such other documents shall be subjected to appropriate criminal, civil, and administrative liability in accordance with existing laws.

**Section 21. Repealing Clause.** All previous issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed amended and/or repealed.

**Section 22. Effectivity.** This Executive Order shall be effective on March 15, 2022 until March 31, 2022.

Let copies of this order be furnished to all local chief executives, other concerned public and private agencies and institutions, and the mass media for guidance, information, and widest dissemination.

Done this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2022 in Dipolog City, Zamboanga del Norte, Philippines.



**ROBERTO Y. UY**  
Provincial Governor