

## Executive Order No. 4, Series of 2022

## AN ORDER ADOPTING THE LEVEL 3 CLASSIFICATION OF THE NATIONAL IATF

WHEREAS, Iligan City has been placed under Alert Level 3 from January 16 to 31 January 2022 in view of the rising active cases of COVID-19 in the Philippines:

WHEREAS, the advances in public health and the economic gains that have been achieved in the recent months under Alert Level 2 must be sustained and pre-emptive measures must be adopted in order to forestall and immediately address the perceived adverse impact of COVID-19, particularly the highly-transmissible Omicron variant;

WHEREAS, the global experience evidences that the COVID-19 vaccines are and continue to be effective against the virus, including the Omicron variant, and prevent severe infection cases and avert the need for hospital care,

WHEREAS, despite the availability of vaccines, there is a number of individuals who adamantly opt not to be vaccinated and thus, become more susceptible to severe cases of COVID-19 infection which will in turn require hospital care thereby unduly burdening the health care system to the detriment of public health:

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 11332 or the Mandatory Reporting of Notifiable Diseases and Health Events of Public Health Concern Act declares that it is the policy of the State "to protect and promote the right to health of the people and instill health consciousness among them and that the State "recognizes epidemics and other public health emergencies as threats to public health and national security, which can undermine the social, economic, and political functions of the State";

WHEREAS, LGUs are mandated to exercise the powers expressly granted, those necessarily implied there from, 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 and delivery of basic services to their constituents;

WHEREAS, the City Mayor, for the efficient, effective and economical governance the purpose of which is the general welfare of the city and its inhabitants, shall carry out emergency measures as may be necessary during man-made and natural disasters and calamities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, CELSO G. REGENCIA, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law as the City Mayor of Iligan, do hereby order:

Section 1. Declaration of Policy and Reiteration of Personal Protocols. The highest attainable standard of health is not just a fundamental right but a personal duty. The City thus declares as its policies that —

- a. Parallel to the City's Covid-19 Prevention Response, individual compliance to personal hygiene and health protocols must never relax, and must now be urgently reiterated, including but not limited to handwashing, mask-wearing, and social distancing at all times;
- b. That these personal protocols are *minimum* hygiene standards, and complete and thorough observance is a must;
- c. That defeat of the virus requires nothing less than a multi-effort between the National, the City, the Barangay, and its citizens. The Punong Barangay and his officials are called upon to monitor gathering places, identified drinking session spots, restaurants, bars, establishments, streets, and public venues within their barangay which are high-density areas in order to strictly implement social distancing protocols;
- **Section 2.** Alert Level 3, refers to areas wherein case counts are high compared to Alert Level 2.
- **Section 3.** Movement of all residents in any area in Iligan City are firmly limited only to accessing essential goods and services, for work in the offices, commercial establishments, industries and other essential services permitted to operate, or for the administration of Covid-19 vaccination;
- **Section 4**. Fully vaccinated individuals, including those belonging to the vulnerable population, may participate in permitted activities. To ensure compliance with the national policy in limiting the movement, all private persons shall be allowed to go out of their residences if he/she can present their
  - i. Full Vaccinated card or
  - ii. A negative RT-PCR test which is valid for 72 hours, supported with any of the following:
    - Valid government issued or Employment ID or Certificate of Employment; Recent Certificate of Self-Employment issued by respective Punong Barangay;
    - b. These shall not apply in times of medical emergency, court processes and government appointment or transaction which are considered unavoidable travel from residence to his/her destination.
- Section 5. All establishments in Iligan which are allowed to operate shall require the individuals/customers to present any of those required as stated in Section 4.

Section 6. The following establishments, or activities, shall be allowed to operate, or be undertaken for fully Vaccinated individuals at a maximum of 30% indoor venue capacity and 50% outdoor venue capacity only. Provided, that all workers/employees of these establishments are fully vaccinated against COVID-19 and Minimum Public Health Standard shall be strictly maintained:

- a. Venues for meetings, incentives, conferences, and exhibitions (MICE);
- 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;

- 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;
- 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 higher education and for technical-vocational education and training;
- h. In-person religious gatherings; gatherings for necrological (4 days) services, wakes, inurnment, and funerals for those who died of causes other than COVID-19 and for the remains of the COVID-19 deceased:
- 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;
- j. Dine-in services in food preparation establishments such as kiosks, commissaries, restaurants, and eateries, subject to DTI sector-specific protocols;
- k. 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;
- Fitness studios, gyms, and venues for non-contact exercise and sports, subject to DTI sector-specific protocols. Provided that patrons/clients and workers/employees wear face masks at all 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.

Section 7. The following establishments, or activities, shall NOT be allowed to operate under Alert Level 3 except as may be authorized by the IATF or the Office of the President.

- a. Face-to-Face classes for Basic Education;
- b. Casinos, horse racing, cockfighting and operation of cockpits, lottery and betting shops, and other gaming establishments shall not be allowed to operate, or be undertaken in areas classified
- c. Gatherings not from the same household;
- d. And other similar activities:

**Section 8.** Contact sports, shall not be allowed to operate, 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.

**Section 9.** Under the Safety Seal Certification Program, business establishments awarded Safety Seal Certifications shall be allowed to operate at an additional Ten (10%) percentage points beyond the prescribed on-site capacity or venue seating capacity, whichever is applicable;

**Section 10.** Purchase and *Consumption* of liquor within restaurants, bars, stores, malls, other private establishments and venues of liquor from supermarkets, groceries and stores is allowed from 9AM to 9PM only. Both customer and seller shall be equally liable under Section 16.

**Section 11.** Government Agencies and instrumentalities of the government shall remain to be fully operational and shall adhere to minimum health protocol. In certain case, the head of office may opt to allow alternative work arrangement with the approval of the Local Chief Executive;

**Section 12**. Transactions with the Local Government Unit, shall be allowed with Unvaccinated individuals, provided a Negative RT-PCR/Rapid Antigen Test, at the individual's own expense, is presented to the transacting Government Offices and/or Agencies within the City.

Private establishments are highly encouraged to implement the same Vaccination Card (Fully Vaccinated) requirements, upon entry within their offices or premises;

**Section 13.** Intrazonal and interzonal travel shall be allowed subject to the reasonable restrictions based on age and comorbidities, subject to the oversight, monitoring, and evaluation of the IATF. Regulation on entry of residents and non-residents from within the region and other regions:

- a. All individuals entering Iligan City will be subjected to body temperature scan and those temperature of 38 Degree Celsius or above upon screening shall be held temporarily for five minutes at the checkpoint, a second elevated temperature shall be reported to the Emergency Operations Center (EOC) for appropriate action;
- b. Non-residents entering Iligan City shall be allowed provided they present their Fully Vaccinated Covid-19 Immunization Card or proof of negative antigen test or RT-PCR swab test result from the place of origin with a three (3) day validity. Positive Antigen test or RT-PCR swab test result shall not be allowed entry to Iligan City and the result (copy or picture) shall be reported to CHO-EOC;
- c. Iligan City Residents re-entering or returning to Iligan City after twenty-four (24) hours or more originating from within the region, shall present their Fully Vaccinated Covid-19 Immunization Card or proof of negative Antigen test or RT-PCR swab test result from the place of origin with three (3)-day validity period at the Quarantine checkpoint. A positive result of the antigen or swab test shall be reported to EOC for isolation protocol.
- d. Residents returning to Iligan City from other regions shall comply with the S-PASS required protocol, such as:
  - Any of the following:
    - a. Fully vaccinated Covid-19 Immunization Card;
    - b. Certificate of Complete Covid-19 Immunization;
    - Negative RT-PCR (only valid within 72 hours);
    - d. Barangay Residence Confirmation Certificate;
    - e. LGU Letter of Acceptance

**Section 14.** Vaccination as a prerequisite to Some Privileges of Transportation. All drivers, conductors, and general operators of Public Utility Vehicles such as but not limited to jeepneys, buses, tricycle, habal-habal, among others, shall only be allowed to operate if FULLY VACCINATED, or the presentation of a negative RT-PCR/Antigen test. They are similarly directed to continue complying with the existing seating and passenger capacity restrictions, where passengers must also comply;

Failure to comply with the above requirement shall subject the PUV operator to payment of the fines defined under Section 14 of Executive Order No. 288, series of 2021, or may result in the suspension of his corresponding Certificate of Public Convenience and/or Business Permit until he implements the necessary corrective measures.

**Section 15.** Vaccination Requirement for all Commuters. The riding public, or all commuters taking the Public Utility Vehicles such as, but not limited to jeepneys and buses, tricycles, habal-habal, among others, shall only be allowed to board the vehicle for FULLY Vaccinated individuals or the presentation of a negative RT-PCR/Antigen test.

Operators of public transportation vehicles shall be responsible for informing drivers and conductors of these restrictions, who shall in turn ensure compliance among passengers during travel.

Section 16. Public Vendors. All public vendors specifically those operating stalls in the City's markets, terminals and other economic enterprises, including clients, entrepreneurs, and users of the slaughterhouse, live auction markets, and fish landing shall similarly be allowed to continue their operation only upon the presentation of Fully Vaccinated card, or the presentation of a negative RT-PCR/Antigen test.

Failure to comply with the above requirement shall subject the vendor to payment of the fines defined under Section 14 of EO 288, series of 2021, or may result in the suspension of his Market Award and/or business permit until he implements the necessary corrective measures.

Section 17. Wearing of Face Shield. Face shield is optional upon the discretion of the business entity and only in high-risk areas such as hospitals.

Section 18. Curfew Hours shall be from 10:00PM to 4:00AM. Travelers from other cities arriving within the curfew hours shall present valid travel documents and documents required under section 13a to d, whichever is applicable;

Section 19. Manufacturing, issuance, use and distribution of fake vaccine cards and allied documents. The issuance, manufacturing, use and distribution of fake vaccine cards and other allied documents is penalized by Article 172 of the Revised Penal Code, as amended by R.A. No. 10951, and we quote:

- "Art. 172. Falsification by private individual and use of falsified documents. The penalty of prisión correccional in its medium and maximum periods and a fine of not more than One million pesos (₱1,000,000) shall be imposed upon:
- "1. Any private individual who shall commit any of the falsifications enumerated in the next preceding article in any public or official document or letter of exchange or any other kind of commercial document;
- "2. Any person who, to the damage of a third party, or with the intent to cause such damage, shall in any private document commit any of the acts of falsification enumerated in the next preceding article; and
- "3. Any person who shall knowingly introduce in evidence in any judicial proceeding or to the damage of another or who, with the intent to cause such damage, shall use any of the false documents embraced in the next preceding article, or in any of the foregoing subdivisions of this article, shall be punished by the penalty next lower in degree."

The City Legal Office, City Administrator's Office, City Health Office are hereby directed to conduct swift investigation and to cooperate with the PNP to prosecute these offenders.

Lawyers, Juris Doctors, and paralegals employed as Job Orders or on Contract of Service in the City of Iligan are encouraged to assist the above-mentioned offices in the preparation of pleadings, motions, and other legal processes, provided that the assistance mentioned shall not be in conflict with their main functions.

- Section 20. Reportorial Requirement of Private Establishments. Private establishments are encouraged to retain a machine copy of vaccine cards of all their employees. Such copy must be placed in a neatly prepared container and made ready for inspection by the government authorities allowed to perform the inspection.
- Section 21. Inspection of Establishments: The Local Price Coordinating Council (LPCC) and Local-IATF are directed to conduct inspection on all establishments selling basic commodities to see to it that prices of basic commodities (including medicines) are not grossly in excess of its true worth, and to prevent hoarding, profiteering, and cartel.

These establishments are reminded that if committed, they will be penalized under Section 15, Republic Act No. 7581, otherwise known as "THE PRICE ACT", and we quote:

**Section 22.** Penalty for Acts of Illegal Price Manipulation. – Any person who commits any act of illegal price manipulation of any basic necessity or prime commodity under Section 5 hereof shall suffer the penalty of imprisonment for a period of not less than five (5) years nor more than Fifteen (15) years, and shall be imposed a fine of not less than Five thousand pesos (P5,000) nor more than Two million pesos (P2,000,000)

Section 23. Enforcement. – All Barangay Officials, Barangay Tanods, Purok Officials, Civil Security Unit (CSU) Personnel, City Mayor's Office- Multi Task Force, Anti Littering Task Force (ALTF) Personnel, Market Police, Civilian Volunteers, BPAT, Members of the Philippine National Police, the Armed Forces of the Philippines, the Joint Task Force Kamagong-Iligan(JTFKI) are hereby mandated to implement the City Ordinance 20-6952 and are authorized to issue Citation Tickets against persons caught violating any provision of the Ordinance;

The Iligan City Police Office (ICPO) is hereby directed to conduct regular inspection in line with the implementation of this Executive Order and to submit weekly report to the Local Chief Executive;

Section 24. The Emergency Operation Center (EOC) under the City Health Office (CHO) shall continue to function and coordinate and/or consolidate courses of action using the Incident Command System (ICS) with the various Task Forces/Clusters through the local IATF-MEID-IMT for COVID-19 to address any incident that may arise during pandemic;

**Section 25.** Individuals who tested positive with RT-PCR/Antigen shall be isolated and guarantined according to the following guidelines:

	Fully Vaccinated	Unvaccinated
General Public Asymptomatic / Mild	-at least 7 days with one (1) day with no symptoms -Home Quarantine may be allowed provided that a separate room with own toilet and bath is available.	with no symptoms
Health care Worker Asymptomatic/Mild	-at least 5 days with one (1) day with no symptoms -Home Quarantine may be allowed provided that a separate room with own toilet and bath is available.	

Section 26. All previous executive orders inconsistent with this order is hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

This Order shall take effect on the **12:01** am of January 19, 2022 until recalled, set aside, or revoked by the undersigned.

Done this 18th day of January 2022, in Iligan City, Philippines.

CELSO G. REGENCIA