



Island Garden City of Samal

Province of Davao del Norte, Philippines

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 235 Series of 2020

AN ORDER DECLARING THE MODIFIED GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE (MGCQ) IN THE ISLAND GARDEN CITY OF SAMAL AND PROVIDING FOR ITS POLICIES, REGULATIONS AND SANCTIONS

WHEREAS, on May 16, 2020, Executive Order 231 was issued reiterating the Quarantine Protocols, Rules and Guidelines in the City, further extending the suspension of sea transport until June 15, 2020;

WHEREAS, On May 22, 2020 the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID) issued Resolution No. 38, Series of 2020 setting the amendments, revisions and clarification to the Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the Local Government Code mandates all local government units (LGU) to exercise the powers for the efficient and effective governance essential to uphold the general welfare, especially the health and safety of its people;

WHEREAS, Section 4 (g) of Republic Act 11469 mandated all LGU to act within the rules, regulations and directives issued by the National Government;

WHEREAS, On May 27, 2020, the City Health Officer declared no local transmission of CoVID-19 in the Island Garden City of Samal upon objective evaluation of all evidences of the two (2) confirmed cases;

WHEREAS, on May 31, 2020, the Provincial Government of Davao del Norte issued Executive Order No. 42 placing all cities and municipalities of Davao del Norte Province under a Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) unless amended, terminated or repealed accordingly.

WHEREAS, there is a need adopt these guidelines to ensure the continued compliance to rules and regulations set to mitigate the spread of Covid-19:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, AL DAVID T. UY, City Mayor of the Island Garden City of Samal, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. Declaration. The Island Garden City of Samal shall be placed under a Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) unless amended, terminated or repealed accordingly.

Section 2. Adoption of the IATF Omnibus Guidelines. The implementation of the Modified General Community Quarantine shall adopt the policies and guidelines provided under Section 5 of the IATF Omnibus Resolution on the Implementation of Community Quarantine as amended by IATF Resolution No. 38, series of 2020.

Samaleños shall strictly follow these guidelines during the MGCQ:

1. Minimum public health standards, such as but not limited to wearing of face masks and/or personal protective equipment, temperature checking, sanitizing, and observing social distancing shall be complied with at all times for the

duration of MGCQ. All government and private offices/establishments shall ensure the compliance of the health standards;

2. Checkpoints along the boundaries of the City will continue to operate for the scanning of QR Code ID for travellers going to and fro the City and the monitoring of African Swine Fever (ASF) usual security checks.

There shall be strict implementation of checkpoints island-wide by the national, local and barangay security forces;

3. Indoor and outdoor non-contact sports and other forms of exercise, such as but not limited to walking, jogging, running, biking, golf, tennis, badminton, equestrian, and skateboarding are allowed. Provided that the minimum public health standards such as the wearing of masks and the maintenance of social distancing protocols, and no sharing of equipment where applicable are observed;

4. Mass gatherings, such as but not limited to movie screenings, concerts, sporting events, and other entertainment activities, community assemblies, and non-essential work gatherings shall be allowed provided that participants shall be strictly limited to 50% of the venue or its seating capacity.

Religious gatherings shall be allowed under such guidelines as may be declared through subsequent issuances from the IATF.

5. Residential or face-to-face classes may be conducted in Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) provided that there is strict compliance with minimum health standards, consultation with the LGUs and compliance with the guidelines set by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED). All HEI activities that involve mass gathering of students shall continue to be prohibited;

For K-12 Basic Education, the Basic Education Learning Continuity Plan of the Department of Education (DepEd) shall be adopted;

6. Private transportation shall be allowed to travel subject to the guidelines provided by the Department of Transportation (DOTr);
7. The movement of person across areas placed under GCQ or MGCQ for any purpose **other than leisure shall be permitted.**
8. Public transportation shall be allowed to operate during MGCQ, except for passenger vans and air-conditioned buses. Provided, that the following guidelines shall be observed, viz:

- 8.1 It shall only carry half or 50% of its allowed seating capacity, viz.
 - jeepneys/multicabs - 50% seating capacity
 - tricycles - 3 passengers (one at the front, two at the back)
 - motorcycle - 3 passengers (one driver, two backriders)
- 8.2 That minimum public health standards are observed, such as but not limited to:
 - Not allowing passengers to ride without face masks;
 - Re - disinfecting the interior of the vehicle after all passengers have settled;
 - Public transport operator shall have their units installed with cellophane barriers / partitions to separate the driver and the passengers.

9. Except as otherwise provided below, all permitted establishments and activities under Category I-IV of Section 4(6) of the Revised Omnibus Guidelines and in pertinent sections therein shall be allowed to operate or be undertaken at full operational capacity:
 - a. Barber shops, salons, and other personal care service establishments shall be allowed to operate a maximum of 50% of venue capacity;
 - b. Dine-in service in food retail establishments, such as supermarkets, grocery stores, and food preparation establishments, at a maximum of 50% seating capacity; and
 - c. Other Category IV and all other establishments not permitted to operate under previous issuances at a maximum of 50% operational capacity.
10. Transport of cadaver/dead human body shall be allowed, provided that a Certification of Non-COVID Patient from the hospital or City/Municipal Health Officer must be secured;
11. Work in all public and private offices shall be allowed to resume physical work in full capacity or under such alternative work arrangements for person who are 60 years old and above, those with immunodeficiency, comorbidities, or other health risks, and pregnant women;
12. Work in government offices may be at full operational capacity, or under such alternative work arrangements as agencies may deem appropriate in accordance with the relevant rules and regulations issued by the Civil Service Commission (CSC). Accredited diplomatic missions and international organizations may resume full operations;

LOCALIZED GUIDELINES

13. The Use of Quick Response (QR) Code ID shall be required upon entry to and exit from ports, markets, groceries, pharmacy, drugstore and other public places. The Information of Tourists and Residents Against CoVID-19 System (i-TRACS) shall be fully utilized to efficiently support contact-tracing;
14. **Sea Transport.** Launch and Ferry Boats shall be allowed to carry 50% of its seating capacity. The wearing of face mask and social distancing must be strictly observed. Ship Captains are directed to strictly implement the minimum health protocols for COVID 19 as mandated under RA 11469, National and Local Executive Orders;
15. Private, personal and / or family activities to mark milestones, such as birthdays and anniversaries, shall be allowed only for a maximum of 25 persons, provided that the minimum public health standards such as the wearing of masks and the maintenance of social distancing protocols are observed. Videoke shall be prohibited during these occasions.
16. Videoke / Bar / Beer houses / KTV, Massage spa centers and internet cafes shall remain to be closed;
17. **Public Markets.** The schedule of the wet market / palengke shall be 06:00 AM – 07:00 PM. There shall be continued implementation of “one entry, one exit point” policy. A QR Code ID and a valid ID shall be required upon entry to public markets.
18. Residents are discouraged to travel to other LGUs to buy commodities that are available locally;

19. Necrological services /vigil / wake or interment services shall be conducted within 5 days only and with a maximum of 25 persons at any one time during the wake and interment. Minimum health standards such as social distancing, wearing of mask and regular disinfection shall be strictly observed. All forms of gambling shall be strictly prohibited;
20. **Curfew Hours.** No person is allowed to go out, roam around, loiter and wander along streets, parks and any public places whether individually or in group during the Curfew hours:
 - For adults: 09:00 PM to 05:00 AM.
 - For minors: 06:00 PM – 06:00 AM.

Exempted from the curfew hours are members of the COVID-19 Crisis Management and Response Team, emergency vehicles, health workers, and those who are required to work within the curfew period;
21. Liquor Ban is hereby lifted. Purchase of liquors or any alcoholic drinks is allowed under MGCQ except to minors. Selling of liquors or any alcoholic drinks is only allowed from **8:00 AM to 5:00 PM;**

PROHIBITIONS

22. Consumption of liquor / alcoholic drink in public places, such as restaurants, cafeterias, bars, and the likes;
23. Celebration of Fiesta and Araw ng Barangay;
24. Smoking in public places;
25. Gambling;
26. Transport of derby cocks to and fro and within the city;

Section 3. Returning and Stranded Overseas Filipino Workers (OFWs) and Locally Stranded Individuals (LSIs). All returning OFWs and LSIs shall follow the guidelines:

For OFW:

1. Present the Documents:
 - a. Quarantine Certificate from the Department of Health / Bureau of Quarantine;
 - b. Valid ID (Government-issued or Company ID)
2. The City Health Officer shall assess the returning OFW for any fever and other respiratory symptoms. Upon assessment, he/she shall undergo rapid anti-body testing;
3. The returning OFW or LSI **shall** undergo a mandatory 14-day home quarantine to be monitored by the City Health Office and the Barangay.

For LSI:

1. Present the Documents:
 - a. Approved Application of QR Code ID through the Online Registration at **"benefits.samalcity.gov.ph/qr_codes"**
 - b. Medical Clearance Certification issued by the City / Municipal Health Officer of origin **OR** Quarantine Certificate from the Department of Health / Bureau of Quarantine
 - c. Travel Authority or Travel Permit;
 - d. Valid ID (Government-issued or Company ID)

2. The City Health Officer shall assess the LSI for any fever and other respiratory symptoms. Upon assessment, he/she **may** undergo rapid anti-body testing;
3. The LSI **shall** undergo a mandatory 14-day home quarantine to be monitored by the City Health Office and the Barangay.

Section 5. Monitoring of Coastlines. The Philippine Coast Guard, Philippine National Police, Philippine Navy and Task Force Samal and other security forces are enjoined to render full assistance and cooperation in the strict monitoring of coastlines to restrict all illegal activities such as illegal fishing and sea travels by boat as these can be means of possible virus spread.

Illegal Fishing shall be prohibited. All unregistered motorboats operating within the municipal waters of the Island Garden City of Samal shall be impounded by the authorities. All violators of impounded motorboats shall be arrested for violation of existing laws. Impounded motorboats shall be penalized with an administrative fine of Two Thousand Pesos (Php 2,000.00) per City Ordinance 2018-292 and other pertinent laws.

Section 6. Management of the Dead. The standard process on the management of human remains for PUIs and confirmed COVID-19 cases shall be strictly observed.

Burial, preferably cremation, shall be done within 12 hours after death. However, cremation or burial of human remains, to the most possible extent, shall be in accordance with the deceased person's wish, decision of those who have the duty to make funeral/burial arrangements, and religious and culturally-acceptable norms of the deceased.

Proper burial for Muslim Filipinos shall likewise be observed. COVID-19 confirmed case must be put in a sealed cadaver bag and must be buried within 12 hours in the nearest designated Muslim cemetery in their locality.

Section 7. Inter-Agency Coordination. There must be close coordination among all LGUs, National Government Agencies, Armed Forces of the Philippines, and the Philippine National Police of the Province relative to the enforcement of this Executive Order.

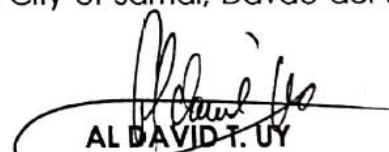
Section 8. Separability Clause. If any provision of this Executive Order is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

Section 9. Penalty Clause. Any violations thereof shall be dealt with under our existing laws, ordinances, rules and regulations.

Section 10. Repealing Clause. All prior executive issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed repealed.

Section 11. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect on 05:01 AM of 02 June 2020 until 15 June 2020.

ISSUED this **1st day of June 2020**, in the Island Garden City of Samal, Davao del Norte Province, Philippines.


AL DAVID T. UY
City Mayor