



EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 13, SERIES OF 2021

ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES ON BORDER CONTROL POLICIES IN THE PROVINCE OF LA UNION

WHEREAS, IATF Resolution No. 30, Series of 2020 dated April 29, 2020, and Presidential Executive Order No. 112, Series of 2020 dated April 30, 2020, authorized the Provincial Governors to impose, lift, or extend community quarantine in component cities and municipalities subject to the approval of the Regional Inter-Agency Task Force against CoViD-19;

WHEREAS, on various dates within the month of April 2021, Executive Orders (EO) No. 8, 9, 11, & 12, Series of 2021, were issued placing the Municipalities of Aringay, Luna, Naguilian, Tubao, Agoo, City of San Fernando, Bauang and Bangar, La Union, respectively, under Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ) after having been determined to have Critical Epidemic Risk Level with more than 50% of their respective barangays having active cases;

WHEREAS, in line with the foregoing declaration of heightened category of community quarantine in the Province as well as to arrest the further spread of the CoViD-19 virus, EO No. 10, Series of 2021 was issued strengthening the border policies in the province of La Union requiring, among others, a Negative RT-PCR Test Result issued within the last thirty (30) days from all travelers except those specifically exempted under said EO;

WHEREAS, studies evidently show that a fully vaccinated person has a reduced risk of getting severe forms of CoViD-19 aside from the fact that it will more effectively reduce transmission of said disease;

WHEREAS, there is a need for supplemental guidelines covering those who have already been fully vaccinated and who carry with them a vaccination certificate/card;

WHEREAS, there is also a need to adjust border control requirements for travelers passing through La Union considering the requirements accepted by their place of destination;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, FRANCISCO EMMANUEL "PACOY" R. ORTEGA III, Governor of the Province of La Union, by the powers vested in me by law, do hereby order the following additional guidelines:

SECTION 1. ACCEPTANCE OF VACCINATION CARD FOR ALL TRAVELERS

In lieu of a negative RT -PCR result issued within the last thirty (30) days, **ALL TRAVELERS** who have already been vaccinated may present a CoViD-19 Vaccination Certificate/ Card at the border control points of the Province.

Notwithstanding the foregoing, all other travel requirements as stated under EO No. 10, Series of 2021, depending on the purpose of their travel should still be presented and complied with.

SECTION 2. ADDITIONAL ALLOWED REQUIREMENTS ONLY FOR TRAVELERS PASSING THROUGH LA UNION.

Section 4 of EO No. 10, Series of 2021 is hereby modified, thus:

In lieu of a negative RT PCR test result and/or Vaccination Card, **TRAVELERS PASSING THROUGH LA UNION**, may present other negative test results accepted by their place of destination such as Antigen Test, etc. Travelers are advised to coordinate with their LGU of destination beforehand in order for them to know and present the same requirements at the border control points of La Union.

SECTION 3. ADDITIONAL ALLOWED REQUIREMENTS ONLY FOR DELIVERY CARGOES ENTERING AND PASSING THROUGH LA UNION.

Drivers and helpers of delivery cargoes will not be required to present any negative test results pursuant to Section 7 (1) of the Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines, however, *delivery manifests or any equivalent document* shall be presented. Notwithstanding the foregoing, all other travel requirements as stated under EO No. 10, Series of 2021.

Delivery cargoes **PASSING THROUGH** shall also present other documents required by their place of destination and are likewise discouraged from alighting in La Union and are given a maximum of 3 hours to pass through the next exit of La Union.

SECTION 4. MINIMUM CLINICAL ASSESSMENT AT THE BORDERS.

All individuals passing through the border control points of the Province shall be required to undergo the minimum clinical or health assessment (temperature check and detection of symptoms) supervised by medical personnel on site. Those who exhibit symptoms of CoViD-19 shall be confined for testing, isolation, treatment and monitoring.

SECTION 5. SEPARABILITY CLAUSE.

If, for any reason, any part or provision of this ordinance shall be held unconstitutional or invalid, the other parts of provisions which are not affected shall remain in full force and effect.

SECTION 6. EFFECTIVITY CLAUSE.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately after its issuance.

DONE this 14th day of April 2021 in the City of San Fernando, La Union.


FRANCISCO EMMANUEL "PACOY" R. ORTEGA III
Provincial Governor

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