

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2017- 025

GUIDELINE FOR THE SALE, DISTRIBUTION, AND USE OF FIRECRACKERS, FIREWORKS, AND OTHER PYROTECHNIC DEVICES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUBAT, SORSOGON IN CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS 2017 AND NEW YEAR 2018

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7183 is an "Act Regulating the Sale, Manufacture, Distribution and Use of Firecracker and Other Pyrotechnic Devices;

WHEREAS, the same law mandates the local government units (LGU) to observe the manufacture, sale, distribution and use of firecrackers and pyrotechnic devices including the strict compliance to safety precautions, rules and regulations of manufacturer, distributor, seller, and user;

WHEREAS, Executive Order No. 28 s.2017 by the President of the Republic of the Philippines further provides guidelines for the regulation and control of the use of firecracker and other pyrotechnic devices;

WHEREAS, although it has been a Filipino tradition to use firecrackers and other pyrotechnic device to celebrate events of personal, religious, cultural, and national importance, firecrackers and its related products continue to be a public safety, health, and security concern;

WHEREAS, in order to prevent untoward incidents and minimize the risk of injuries and casualties caused by firecrackers, there is a need to regulate its sale, distribution, and use;

NOW THEREFORE I, SHARON ROSE G. ESCOTO, Municipal Mayor of this Municipality, Province of Sorsogon, by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order and direct the following:

Section 1. Community Fireworks Display. A display of fireworks qualifies as a community fireworks display if it compiles to the following conditions:

- a) It is conducted on the occasion or as part of a celebration, competition, or similar events held in a venue other that a place of residence;
- b) It is conducted under the supervision of a trained person duly licensed by the proper authorities; and
- c) It is allowed by the LGU through a permit specifying the date and time of the fireworks display and specific location in which the display will be conducted, in conformity with national standards, rules and regulations.

Section 2. Prohibited Firecrackers and Pyrotechnic Devices. Pursuant to RA 7183, the Philippine National Police (PNP) is hereby directed to promulgate criteria for what constitutes prohibited firecrackers and pyrotechnic devices, and also provide specific lists of such devices as may be necessary for the guidance of the public. All fireworks falling under such criteria may not be manufactured, sold, distributed, or used even as part of a community fireworks display.

Section 3. Display Center of Fireworks/ Pyrotechnic Devices Zone.

- a) The designated area/ zone for selling of allowed fireworks and other pyrotechnic devices shall be the Freedom Park located at the corner of Luna and Rizal streets (east side) of this municipality;
- b) Stalls shall have adequate ventilation and sellers shall provide fire extinguishers or containers with water and other fire fighting devices;
- c) Stoves, exposed flames, and portable electric heater shall be prohibited in the
- d) No person shall be allowed to use and test fireworks and other pyrotechnic devices three hundred (300) meters from the designated zone;
- e) Only fireworks and pyrotechnic devices not prohibited by law may be allowed to be sold, distributed, and used within the municipality;
- f) Sale of such fireworks and pyrotechnic devices is allowed only from 26th to 31th of December 2017; and
- g) Any individual entity or groups desiring to sell the aforementioned items shall strictly comply provision of Republic Act No. 7183 and such other rules as maybe promulgated by authorized agencies of the government.

Section 4. Penalties. Any person or group who sells, uses, and distributes firecrackers, fireworks, and other pyrotechnic devices other than those allowed shall be penalized in accordance with the provision of RA 7183.

Section 5. Administration and Enforcement. The PNP, in coordination with other concerned agencies including the Philippine Army, Bureau of Fire Protection, Rural Health Unit, and the LGU, shall be primarily responsible for the enforcement of this EO, which shall include the conduct of inspections, and the confiscation and destruction of prohibited firecrackers and pyrotechnic devices in accordance with the law.

This order shall take effect immediately until 5 January 2018.

Done this 13th day of December, 2017 in the Municipality of Gubat, Province of Sorsogon.

SHARON ROSE G. ESCOTO Municipal Mayor

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Guidelines for the sale, distribution, and use of firecrackers, fireworks and other pyrotechnic devices in the Municipality of Gubat, Sorsogon in Celebration of Christmas 2017 and New Year 2018

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