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Province of Sorsogon
MUNICIPALITY OF GUBAT
OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL MAYOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-023-B

AMENDING EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 2020-023 AND 2020-023-A AND PROVIDING GUIDELINES IN MANAGING AND STRENGTHENING FURTHER THE LOCAL COVID-19 RESPONSE IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF GUBAT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

WHEREAS, there are confirmed COVID-19 cases within the municipality of Gubat;

WHEREAS, the health and safety of everyone is of paramount concern hence the spread of the disease must be prevented;

NOW THEREFORE, I, Sharon Rose G. Escoto, Municipal Mayor of Gubat, Sorsogon by virtue of the power vested in me by law, do hereby order the following:

Section 1. Enforcement of curfew. A general curfew is hereby ordered from 8:00 PM to 5:00 AM.

Section 2. Lifting of liquor ban. Dispensing, sale, barter or any other mode of distribution and consumption of alcoholic drinks or beverages are now allowed, however selling, serving, or consuming of liquor in restaurants and similar establishments are still prohibited during curfew hours.

Section 3. Mass gatherings. Planned or spontaneous events where the number of people attending could strain the planning and response resources of the community are not allowed. However, some form of gatherings may be allowed provided that all attendees must be kept within the allowed number per area, must maintain physical distancing, and must observe all health protocols especially the wearing of face mask/ face shield.

Section 3.1. Small public gatherings or small, non-professional gatherings, and events (i.e. birthday parties, housewarming, baby shower, family occasions, and the like) shall follow the maximum number of persons allowed per venue:



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- Indoor Venue – twenty (20) people
- Outdoor Venue – forty (40) people

Section 3.2. Essential public gatherings such as the following are allowed, provided they follow the prescribed protocol, to wit:

- **Worship (church or other place of worship)** - Allowed attendees are up to fifty percent (50%) of sitting capacity.
- **Wedding ceremonies, christening, and receptions** - Keep a distance of two (2) meters between people. Allowed attendees are up to fifty percent (50%) of area premises.

Section 3.3. Wakes and funerals. The following shall be followed during wakes and funerals:

Wakes

- Crowding shall be minimized by staggering arrivals and departures, designating seats/places, and marking the floor to ensure physical distancing between people of at least two (2) meters;
- Allow up to ten (10) visitors only every fifteen (15) minutes; and
- Logbook shall be used to monitor visitors.

Funerals

- Apply the four-square meter rule to determine the maximum number of people who can be in the premises (see Table 1).

Section 3.4. Sports, exercise, and other recreations.

- Contact sports (e.g. volleyball, basketball, football, etc.), especially full competitions involving different localities (intra- and inter-barangay sporting events) are not allowed;
- Other forms of outdoor exercise such as running, jogging, cycling, brisk walking, and the like are allowed up to two people together;
- Zumba and other forms of non-contact exercises and sports may also be done, provided that two (2) meters distance is observed between participants and no act of converging is done before and after each event;



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Section 6.3. Travel for very important matters. Travels such as attendance to court hearings, scheduled release of official documents such as passport, licenses, and the like shall be allowed for persons with LOE on a point-to-point basis. Travel shall be made within the day. If it exceeds a day of travel, concerned person will be subjected to quarantine protocols as provided in the Provincial Executive Order No. 75-2020 and 72-A-2020.

Section 7. Staggering the number of LSIs and returning residents to be accepted and accommodated at the Quarantine Facility (QF) and Barangay Isolation Units (BIUs). The QF and BIUs shall only accept LSIs and returning residents every 16th to the 31st of the month. No LSIs or returning residents shall be accommodated from the 1st to the 15th of the month starting November 2020 until further notice.

Section 8. Mandatory quarantine and isolation of returning residents. All persons coming to the municipality shall submit requirements and undergo a mandatory 14-day quarantine except those granted exemptions as prescribed in Provincial EO No. 75-2020 and EO No. 72-A-2020.

In addition, any person intending to undergo home quarantine after complying to the requirements as prescribed in the aforementioned EOs shall secure a Home Quarantine form from the Mayor's Office.

Section 9. Cargo truck drivers (biyaheros). Persons transporting vegetables, cargoes, and other merchandise to and from places out of the province of Sorsogon are directed to report to their designated isolation facility upon coming into the municipality and shall refrain from going home to their residence. If no assigned isolation facility, concerned biyaheros are directed to isolate at the DPWH isolation unit extension in Bagacay.

Section 10. General public. All persons who are showing signs or symptoms of the COVID-19 disease should immediately present themselves to the proper medical authorities for immediate medical attention. Everyone is directed to observe proper health protocols for safety and to go out only when necessary.

Section 11. Disposal of human remains. Persons who die of pneumonia and related cases shall be buried immediately.





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- The operations of licensed cockpits and the conduct of cockfighting activities may be allowed subject to the conditions of DILG MC 2020-140.

Section 4. Tourism areas- Tourism establishments including hotels, accommodations, cottages, resorts, and the like can accept guests up to fifty percent (50%) of the premises capacity. The allowed age group of visitors is also expanded to fifteen to sixty-five (15-65) years old. All tourism establishments intending to open shall secure a Provisional Authority to Operate from the Mayor's Office or was previously issued with Authority to Operate by the Department of Tourism (DOT).

Section 5. Operation of eateries and similar establishments- Dine-in services are allowed up to fifty percent (50%) of area capacity, provided that minimum health protocols are observed, including but not limited to maintaining physical distancing between customers and not turning on the air-conditioning.

Section 6. Letter of exemption- Issuance of Letter of Exemption (LOE) must be secured from the Mayor's Office or when necessary from the Office of the Provincial Governor.

Section 6.1. All Authorized Persons Outside of Residence (APOR) who are working in another province are encouraged to temporarily stay near their place of work.

Section 6.2. Travel for medical purposes. Access to medical or hospital services outside Gubat can be granted provided that the following protocols are followed:

1. A medical practitioner has certified that the medical or hospital services are necessary to treat or maintain the person's health;
2. The service is not available locally and cannot be accessed remotely;
3. The person must travel by the most practicable direct route — to the place where the medical or hospital services are provided, and from the place where the medical or hospital services are provided to the person's place of residence; and
4. The person must subject himself to quarantine procedures upon his return to the municipality.



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If the death is not due to pneumonia, wakes are allowed for three (3) days, provided that it follows the guideline as stated in Section 3.3 of this Order.

Section 12. Responsibility of hospitals. Hospitals, clinics and similar establishment must give notice to the LGU of suspected COVID-19 patients and of cadavers released, which are suspected and/or confirmed COVID-19 case.

Section 13. Responsibility of funeral parlors. Funeral parlors before processing cadavers must furnish the Rural Health Unit of the death certificate of the deceased for evaluation and approval.

Section 14. Monitoring and Enforcement. The Rural Health Unit (RHU), Philippine National Police (PNP), barangay officials, and the Gubat Inter-Agency Task Force (IATF) are responsible for the enforcement and monitoring of the implementation of this Order.

Section 15. Incorporation Clause. All laws, legal orders, rules and regulations that have been issued and/or will be issued by the duly constituted authorities of the Republic of the Philippines in relation to COVID-19 and the Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) are hereby incorporated herein and made an integral part hereof. In case of conflict, such laws, legal orders, rules and regulations shall have precedence over the provisions of this Executive Order.

Section 16. Repealing Clause. Any Executive Orders previously issued that are inconsistent to the provisions of this Order is considered repealed, amended, and modified accordingly.

- **Section 17. Effectivity.** This Order shall take effect immediately and shall remain valid and effective unless otherwise amended, repealed, or modified accordingly.

DONE in the Municipality of Gubat, Sorsogon, Philippines this 10 November 2020.


SHARON ROSE GLIPTO-ESCOTO
Municipal Mayor



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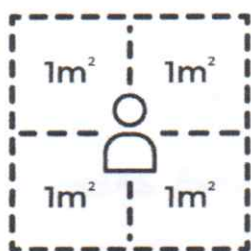


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ANNEX 1

FOUR-SQUARE METER RULE



1. To determine the maximum number of people who can be in the premises at any one time, use the relevant calculation for the size of your floor space.
2. Only include publicly accessible areas in your calculation. Generally, a publicly accessible area is an area where people are allowed and does not include staff-only areas such as offices.

Table 1. Sample computation per available space

Available Space	Number of maximum people allowed
40 square meters	10
80 square meters	20
120 square meters	30
160 square meters	40
200 square meters	50
240 square meters	60
280 square meters	70
320 square meters	80
360 square meters	90
400 square meters	100

