

## Republic of the Philippines Province of Cebu OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

## EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20 - C

Series of 2020

IDENTIFYING PERSONS PERMITTED TO ENTER THE TERRITORIAL JURISDICTION OF THE PROVINCE OF CEBU FROM THE CITY OF CEBU AND VICE VERSA IN ADDITION TO THOSE IDENTIFIED UNDER SECTION 8 OF EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 20, SERIES OF 2020

WHEREAS, on June 29, 2020, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Infectious Diseases (IATF-MEID) issued Resolution No. 50-A that placed the entire Province of Cebu under a Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ) risk classification except for the City of Talisay, the Municipality of Consolacion, and the Municipality of Minglanilla that continue to remain under General Community Quarantine (GCQ);

WHEREAS, on July 9, 2020, the Governor of Cebu issued Executive Order No. 20, Series of 2020, that defined the MGCQ protocols, standards, and guidelines to be observed within the Province of Cebu where the entry of persons therein from the City of Cebu was limited to those identified under Section 8 of said Executive Order;

WHEREAS, on July 30, 2020, the IATF-MEID issued resolution No. 60 - A, Series of 2020, that reclassified the risk classification of the City of Cebu to a GCQ status from a Modified Enhance Community Quarantine status;

WHEREAS, with the reclassification of the City of Cebu to a GCQ risk classification, there is a need to ease the border restrictions imposed by Section 8 of Executive Order No. 20, Series of 2020, to allow workers of permitted establishments in GCQ and MGCQ areas to cross the borders of the Province delineating the City of Cebu;

WHEREAS, on August 4, 2020, in a meeting presided by the Governor of Cebu and attended by the President of the League of Municipalities in Cebu, the Mayor of the City of Talisay, the Mayor of the City of Naga, the Mayor of the City of Carcar, a representative from the City of Bogo, a representative from the Municipality of Minglanilla, the Provincial Director of the Cebu Provincial Police Office, and a representative of the Cebu City Police Office, it was agreed that workers working in GCQ areas but living in MGCQ areas and vice-versa shall be allowed to cross the borders of the Province defining the City of Cebu;

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7160, otherwise known as the Local Government Code of 1991, states that provinces shall exercise powers necessary, appropriate, or incidental for its efficient and effective governance and those which are essential to the promotion of general welfare, health, and safety, including the provisions of services to control communicable diseases;

WHEREAS, under Section 465 (b)(1)(vii) of the same code, the Provincial Governor shall carry out such emergency measures as may be necessary during and in the aftermath of man-made and natural disasters and calamities;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GWENDOLYN F. GARCIA, in consideration of the premises set forth above, hereby order:

SECTION 1. <u>WeTrace App.</u> Pursuant to Executive Order No. 5 - P, Series of 2020, all persons within the Province of Cebu are required to download the WeTrace App on their mobile phones in order to provide local government officials with an accurate system of tracing and monitoring of persons that are manifesting symptoms of the Coronavirus Disease 2019.

Persons working in permitted establishments located within the City of Cebu but who are residing in MGCQ areas and vice versa shall be allowed entry into the Province provided that they can present a WORK TRAVEL PASS (WTP) thru their mobile devices via the WeTrace App.

Persons residing in MGCQ areas but who are working in the City of Cebu are strongly encouraged to reside in said City.

SECTION 3. <u>Application Process</u>. All applications shall be done thru the WeTrace App that can be downloaded in any mobile device using the Android or iOS (Apple) operating system and accessible via web.

- Worker Pass online applications should require the presentation of the following:
  - a. Medical Certificate.
  - b. Company identification cards.
  - Updated Certificate of Employment from his or her employer stating that he or she is still connected with the Company.
  - d. I.D. picture.

Local Government Units (LGU) may require the presentation of additional documents from applicants to verify the authenticity of their representations.

In approving WTPs, LGUs should be guided by establishments permitted to operate in GCQ and MGCQ areas under ANNEX "A" of DTI Memorandum Circular No. 20 - 44, Series of 2020.

II. Once approved, the LGU shall send a point-to-point WTP to the mobile phone of the worker thru the WeTrace App.

The Provincial Government of Cebu will provide LGUs with a template of the WTP.

WTP issued to workers shall clearly indicate the following information:

- Name of the worker and photo of worker.
- b. Name of the LGU of residence.
- Point of origin and point of destination.
- d. Company name.

- e. The signature of the Local Chief Executive.
- f. QR Code.
- g. Control number.

A control number will be assigned to the different local government units by the Provincial Government of Cebu.

SECTION 4. <u>Duties of Local Government Units</u>. Municipalities and component cities of the Province of Cebu shall:

a. Approve or deny the WTP application of a worker.

LGUs shall be provided with a **WeTrace Portal** where they can process WTP Applications online.

 Revoke the WTP for violation of the conditions mentioned under Section 5 of this Executive Order.

However, revocation shall only be done after an investigation on the alleged violation is conducted by the LGU.

- c. Strictly monitor the movement of workers who are issued WTPs thru the WeTrace Portal.
- Regularly provide the Office of the Governor with a list of workers issued a WTP.

**SECTION 5.** Conditions. The use of the WTP shall be subject to the following conditions:

a. The travel of workers who are issued WTPs shall be limited to the point of origin and the point of destination.

A worker who deviates from his or her regular route shall warrant the revocation of their WTP.

b. The WeTrace App shall be granted access to the location of workers thru their mobile phones at all times. The Bluetooth of the mobile phone shall always be activated.

The turning off of a worker's **WeTrace App** location and/or Bluetooth shall warrant the revocation of his or her WTP.

**SECTION 6.** <u>Transportation.</u> Establishments are strongly encouraged to provide their workers with authorized shuttle services for travel to and from their workplace.

**SECTION 7.** Checkpoints. Members of the Philippine National Police and the Armed Forces of the Philippines assigned to implement controls at the borders delineating the City of Cebu are enjoined to strictly monitor and check the WTP of workers upon their entry into the Province by using their mobile phones.

If needed, workers shall be required to present their Company Identification Cards and Certificate of Employment.

SECTION 8. Miscellaneous. This Executive Order does not revoke Section 8 of Executive Order No. 20, Series of 2020. Rather, it identifies

additional persons allowed entry into the territorial jurisdiction of the Province of Cebu as defined by the borders of the City of Mandaue in the North, the City of Talisay in the South, the Municipality of Balamban in the West, and to include the Municipality of Cordova in the island of Mactan.

SECTION 9. Effectivity. This Executive Order shall take effect at 12:01 AM of AUGUST 10, 2020.

## SO ORDERED.

Done in the Provincial Capitol, the City of Cebu, Philippines on August 5, 2020.

BY:

GWENDOLYN F. GARCIA

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