



ADVISORY

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TO : ALL ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS, TOURIST ATTRACTIONS, AND ANCILLARY FACILITIES IN THE PHILIPPINES

SUBJECT : OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR ACCOMMODATION ESTABLISHMENTS AND TOURIST ATTRACTIONS, AND RULES ON INTERZONAL TRAVEL UNDER GCQ WITH HEIGHTENED RESTRICTIONS AND ECQ IN NCR

DATE : 30 JULY 2021

In view of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) Resolution No. 130-A imposing in the National Capital Region (NCR) a **General Community Quarantine (GCQ) with Heightened Restrictions** from **01 to 05 August 2021**, and an **Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ)** from **06 August 2021 to 20 August 2021**, the following guidelines are hereby issued:

I. OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR AEs AND TOURIST ATTRACTIONS IN NCR

A. **Leisure Stay and Staycation.** Effective 30 July 2021, leisure stay and staycation shall be prohibited. Accommodation Establishments (AEs) shall observe the following:

1. Staycation guests who are already billeted as of 0001H of 30 July 2021 will be allowed to continue their stay until the end of their original booking, without extensions;
2. Staycation guests who are residents in areas outside NCR shall be advised to shorten their stay and return to their place of residence; and
3. AEs are encouraged to allow affected guests to rebook without charges.

B. **Permitted Guests.** Effective 30 July 2021, only the following guests¹ shall be allowed new bookings in DOT-Accredited Accommodation Establishments in NCR:

PERMITTED GUESTS IN NCR AEs BEGINNING 30 JULY 2021		
QUARANTINE HOTELS	MULTIPLE-USE HOTELS	REGULAR OR STAYCATION HOTELS
<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Individuals who opt or are required to undergo mandatory Quarantine, such as but not limited to close contacts, repatriated OFWs, Returning Overseas Filipinos, Foreign Nationals allowed entry into the Philippines; and2. Health and emergency frontline services personnel who need easy access to their place of work.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Individuals who opt or are required to undergo mandatory Quarantine, such as but not limited to close contacts, repatriated OFWs, Returning Overseas Filipinos, and Foreign Nationals allowed entry into the Philippines;2. Health and emergency frontline services personnel who need easy access to their place of work;3. Long Staying Guests;4. Returning Residents; and5. Other APORs who require accommodation pursuant to their official function or duty.	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Long Staying Guests;2. Returning Residents; and3. APORs who require accommodation pursuant to their official function or duty, except health and emergency frontline services personnel.

¹ Except for Long Staying Guests as defined under DOT Administrative Order No. 2021-004-A.

- C. **Ancillary Establishments in AEs.** Effective 30 July 2021, the operations of ancillary establishments and facilities in NCR AEs such as restaurants, cafés, bars, gyms, swimming pools, spas, conference rooms or function halls shall be prohibited. Operations of food service in AEs will be limited for take-out, delivery, or as part of quarantine arrangements. Personal care services such as beauty salons, beauty parlors, barbershops, and nail spas, may operate at up to thirty percent (30%) venue or seating capacity.

Beginning 06 August 2021, all ancillary establishment shall not be allowed to operate; provided, that food service operations may continue for take-out, delivery, or as part of quarantine arrangements.

- D. **Essential Meetings and Social Events.** Effective 30 July 2021, essential Meetings and Social Events in NCR, as defined under DOT-DTI Joint Memorandum Circular No. 2021-001, shall be prohibited. AEs and other Permitted Venues are encouraged to provide flexible rebooking terms and conditions for affected guests.
- E. **Tourist Attractions.** Effective 30 July 2021, Indoor tourist Attractions² shall not be allowed to operate, while Outdoor Tourist attractions³ may operate at 30% of the maximum venue capacity. Beginning 06 August 2021, all Tourist Attractions, whether indoor or outdoor, shall not be allowed to operate.

II. RULES ON INTERZONAL TRAVEL

- A. **Point-to-Point Leisure Travel.** Effective 30 July 2021, Point-to-Point Travel of leisure guests from the NCR Plus Areas (NCR, Cavite, Bulacan, Laguna, Rizal) shall be prohibited.

Only the travel of Authorized Persons Outside of their Residences (APORs)⁴ into and out of the NCR Plus areas shall be allowed. Persons availing of elective, non-urgent, health or wellness services or treatments in medical wellness facilities in AEs are not considered APORs.

- B. **Prohibition Against Acceptance of Guests from NCR Plus.** Effective 30 July 2021, AEs outside the NCR Plus areas shall not accept leisure guests coming from NCR Plus, regardless of the date of the booking. Guests who are already billeted as of 0001H of 30 July 2021 shall be allowed to continue their stay until the end of their original booking. New bookings of non-permitted guests shall be prohibited.

Any violation of these guidelines may subject the AE to the appropriate fines and penalties under DOT Administrative Order No. 2021-004-A. In case of any inconsistency between these guidelines and the provisions of existing DOT issuances, these guidelines shall prevail.

This Advisory shall be in effect from 30 July 2021 and shall remain effective until 20 August 2021, or until NCR is under ECQ, whichever is later.

For immediate and strict compliance.


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² An attraction or place of interest inside a building or enclosed space where tourists visit for its natural or man-made beauty for purposes of enjoyment, recreation, or education.

³ A place of interest in an unenclosed area which tourists visit for its inherent natural or cultural significance. This includes parks, plazas, public gardens, scenic viewpoints or overlooks, and the like.

⁴ APORs refer to (1) health and emergency frontline services and uniformed personnel, (2) government officials and employees on official travel, (3) duly-authorized humanitarian assistance actors, especially those transporting medical supplies and laboratory specimens related to COVID-19, and other relief and humanitarian assistance, (4) persons traveling for medical or humanitarian reasons, (5) persons going to and from the airport, and (6) anyone crossing zones for work or business permitted in the zone of destination, and going back home, and (7) public utility vehicle operators.