



**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 08**  
**Series of 2021**

**AN EXECUTIVE ORDER IMPLEMENTING THE UNIFORM TRAVEL PROTOCOLS ISSUED BY THE INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES AND PROVIDING ADDITIONAL GUIDELINES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF DUPAX DEL NORTE**

**WHEREAS**, Section 15 Article II of the 1987 Constitution provides that the State shall protect and promote the right to health of the People and instill health consciousness among them;

**WHEREAS**, on 16 September 2020, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte issued proclamation No. 1021 Series of 2020 extending the period of the State of Calamity throughout the country until September 21, 2021;

**WHEREAS**, Section 4(p) of the Republic Act No. 11494 otherwise known as the "Bayanihan to Recover as One Act", ensures that all Local Government Units are acting within the letter and spirit of all rules, regulations and directives issued by the National Government, and implementing standards of community quarantine consistent with what the National Government has laid down for the subject area, while allowing Local Government Units to continue exercising their autonomy in matters undefined by the National Government or are within the parameters it has set; and are fully cooperating towards a unified, cohesive, and orderly implementation of the National Policies to address COVID-19;

**WHEREAS**, on February 26, 2021, the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases approved Resolution No. 101 providing uniform travel protocols for land, air, and sea;

**WHEREAS**, due to the increasing COVID-19 cases in the Municipality, and in accordance with Section 16 of the Local Government Code, it is imperative upon the Local Government Unit of Dupax del Norte to adopt the Inter-Agency Task Force Resolution No. 101 and providing additional guidelines in order to continue the implementation of proactive measures to ensure the protection of health among the residents of Dupax del Norte;

**NOW THEREFORE, I, TIMOTHY JOSEPH E. CAYTON**, by virtue of the powers vested upon me as the Local Chief Executive of the Municipality of Dupax del Norte, do hereby order the following:

**Section 1. Minimum Public Health Standards** — Minimum Public Health Standards includes physical distancing, hand hygiene, cough etiquette, wearing of face mask and face shield among others, shall be strictly implemented across all settings.

## **Section 2. Travel Protocols**

### **A. Health Assessment**

-All inbound travelers shall subject themselves to health assessment at the triage facility located at Dupax del Norte Sports Complex.

### **B. On Testing and Quarantine**

-Testing shall not be mandatory for travelers however, all inbound travelers must submit themselves to health assessment at the Municipal Health Office (MHO) or Municipal Disaster Risk Reduction Office (MDRRMO);

-No traveler shall be required to undergo quarantine unless they exhibit symptoms upon arrival in the Municipality.

### **C. On Documentary Requirements**

-Travel Authority and health certificates shall no longer be required.

## **Section 3. Additional Guidelines**

**A. Age Restrictions** – Persons who are 14 years old and below, those who are 60 years old and above, those with immunodeficiency, comorbidity, or other health risks, and pregnant women must remain in their residences at all times except under indispensable circumstances.

**B. Operating Hours for Business Establishments** – All grocery stores, pharmacies, restaurants and other business establishments shall be closed at 7:00 PM.

**C. Liquor Ban** – Selling, buying and drinking of liquor/alcoholic beverages shall be prohibited.

**D. Curfew Hours** – Curfew hours will be from 8:00 PM – 4:00 AM.

**E. Closure of All Tourism Sites** – All tourism sites in the Municipality shall be temporarily closed and all tourism-related activities are strictly prohibited.

**F. Bikers and Motorists** – Bikers, motorists and other people from other places who intend to roam around the Municipality are strongly discouraged.

**G. Wake/Vigil for Non-COVID related deaths** – Schedule of wakes must be properly coordinated with the concerned Barangay Officials to ensure that health standards are properly observed and implemented.

**H. Other Social or Mass Gatherings** – Social or Mass gatherings shall be limited to 50% capacity of the venue with observance of public health protocols.

**Section 4. Separability Clause.** Should any provision of this Executive Order be declared by a court of competent jurisdiction as invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not otherwise adversely affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

**Section 5. Repealing Clause.** Any and all executive orders, issuances, rules and regulations, memoranda of the Municipality of Dupax del Norte or any part thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Executive Order are hereby repealed, amended or modified accordingly.

**Section 6. Effectivity.** — This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 12<sup>th</sup> day of March 2021 in Dupax del Norte, Nueva Vizcaya.

  
ATTY. TIMOTHY JOSEPH E. CAYTON  
Municipal Mayor