REVISED SBMA CONSTRUCTION SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ALL INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS DURING THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS





Pursuant to DPWH Department Order No. 39, Series of 2020, which effectively repealed DPWH Department Order No. 35, Series of 2020, the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA) hereby adopts the following:

I. COVERAGE:

The herein Revised Construction Safety Guidelines for the Implementation of Infrastructure Projects During the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis shall apply to allowed government and private construction projects as stated in the IATF-issued Revised Omnibus Guidelines dated May 15, 2020 in areas under Enhanced Community Quarantine (ECQ), Modified Enhanced Community Quarantine (MECQ), General Community Quarantine (GCQ) and Modified General Community Quarantine (MGCQ).



II. TYPES OF CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS THAT MAY BE IMPLEMENTED

The following Construction Projects are allowed in areas under ECQ, MECQ, GCQ, and MGCQ respectively, subject to strict compliance with national health guidelines and those approved by Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority (SBMA):



	TYPES OF CONSTRUCTION	ECQ*	Modified ECQ	GCQ/ MGCQ		
a.	Essential projects, whether public or private, such as but not limited to quarantine facilities and isolation facilities for Persons under Investigation (PUIs), Persons under Monitoring (PUMs), and suspect and confirmed COVID-19 patients;					
b.	Facilities for the health sector workers, including those dealing with PUMs and suspect and confirmed COVID-19 patients;					
C.	Facilities for construction personnel who perform emergency works, flood control, and other disaster risk reduction and rehabilitation works;					
d.	Sewerage projects, water service facilities projects, and digital works;					
e.	Priority public infrastructure projects; and					
* Construction projects that are allowed to operate through a skeleton workforce						



Allowed with safety protocols and strict compliance with the herein Revised Construction Safety Guidelines



TYPES OF CONSTRUCTION

ECQ* **Modified ECQ**

GCQ/

MGCQ

Priority private infrastructure projects defined as those that refer to food production, agriculture, fishery, energy, housing, communication, water utilities, manufacturing, and Business Process Outsourcing (BPO)















h. All public and private construction projects shall be allowed subject to strict compliance with the herein Revised Construction Safety Guidelines







^{**}Small-scale projects are defined as those construction projects which are intended for private and personal use, and because of scale, would not be able to or would impractically be unable to comply with the herein Revised Construction Safety Guidelines in areas under ECQ, MECQ, GCQ and MGCQ.



Allowed with safety protocols and strict compliance with herein Revised Construction Safety Guidelines



Not allowed

Contractors undertaking the aforementioned projects shall be accredited by the SBMA Accreditation Office.



Construction projects that are allowed to operate through a skeleton workforce

III. REVISED CONSTRUCTION SAFETY GUIDELINES FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS DURING THE COVID-19 PUBLIC HEALTH CRISIS

Pursuant to Presidential Proclamation Nos. 922 and 929, Series of 2020 declaring a State of Public Health Emergency and Calamity throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19 and in view of the implementation of the ECQ, MECQ, GCQ, and MGCQ, the following construction safety guidelines, supplemental to the existing safety standards, are hereby established for the construction of all private and public infrastructure projects, as the case may be.



A. PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT

- 1. Any person below twenty-one (21) years old, those who are sixty (60) years old and above, those with immune deficiencies, comorbidities, or other health risks, and pregnant women, including those who reside with the aforementioned, shall not be part of the workforce for construction projects except as may be allowed under the Revised Omnibus Guidelines issued by the IATF.
- 2. Construction personnel shall undergo quarantine for fourteen (14) days prior to deployment; or in the alternative, the employee may undergo any available Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved COVID-19 test, as may be prescribed by the Department of Health (DOH), and be retested as the need arises. In this regard, consultation with medical doctors (duly accredited by DOH, if possible) prior to the conduct of COVID-19 test shall be made. Further, COVID-19 test procedures and return-to-work policies of the contractors should comply with DOH Circular No. 2020-0160 dated 31 March 2020, Department Memorandum No. 2020-0220 dated 11 May 2020, and other pertinent issuances of the DOH on the matter.



A. PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT

- 3. The concessionaires, contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers shall provide for their personnel/workers the necessary welfare facilities and amenities, such as employees' quarters for board and lodging, ensuring compliance with social distancing, proper hygiene, etc.
- 4. Concessionaires, contractors, and subcontractors shall ensure that their projects are in compliance with DOLE D.O. No. 13, Series of 1998, and the DTI and DOLE Interim Guidelines on Workplace Prevention and Control of COVID-19. Contractors shall provide their personnel and workers continuous supply of vitamins, particularly vitamin C, other overthe-counter medicines, quarantine facilities, and oxygen tanks for emergency purposes.



A. PRIOR TO DEPLOYMENT

- 5. Concessionaires, contractors, and subcontractors shall provide disinfection facilities at their respective project sites in compliance with pertinent DOH and IATF Guidelines, to be placed at strategic locations to ensure the safety and welfare of all personnel.
- 6. Proper information dissemination regarding COVID-19 construction protocols, on top of existing construction safety practices, shall be conducted by Safety Officers to all personnel.



DURING DEPLOYMENT

- 1. Conduct an inventory of works for the construction sequencing to be followed and undertaken to uphold the required social distancing. Break times shall be conducted in a staggered manner.
- 2. Employees shall be housed in their respective quarters for the entire duration of the project covered by the ECQ, MECQ, GCQ, and MGCQ. In case there is a need to leave the said quarters during the project duration, "Prior to Deployment" procedures shall be conducted at every instance of re-entry.
- 3. Errands to be conducted outside the construction site premises shall be kept to a minimum. Number of personnel running errands shall be limited and shall be properly disinfected and closely monitored for symptoms within fourteen (14) days upon re-entry.
- 4. Field offices, employees' quarters, and other common areas shall be regularly maintained, including the daily disinfection of such facilities.



B. DURING DEPLOYMENT

- 5. Adequate food, safe/potable drinking water, disinfectants, and hand soaps shall be made available by the concessionaires, contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers to their in-house personnel.
- 6. Daily monitoring of the pre and post work health conditions of workers shall be undertaken by the contractors, concessionaires, subcontractors, and suppliers including, but not limited to, temperature, health, and exposure monitoring, as preventive measures. Personnel with manifestations or symptoms relative to COVID-19 shall be immediately isolated and quarantined for fourteen (14) days and if necessary, brought to the nearest DOH COVID-19 treatment facility under strict confidentiality and privacy. Proper protocols in accordance with the DTI and DOLE Interim Guidelines on Workplace Prevention and Control of COVID-19 shall likewise be strictly observed. A daily health monitoring report to be prepared by the Safety Officer shall be submitted every two weeks or whenever it is needed to the Implementing Office. (See Annex "C"). For any health and safety related event, your Safety Officer should contact and closely coordinate with the SBMA Public Health and Safety Department's Medical Officer on Duty at Bldg. 280 Dewey Avenue, SBFZ, Telephone No. 252-4880.



B. DURING DEPLOYMENT

- 7. Work activities shall be under daily strict monitoring by the Safety Officer on site to ensure compliance with safety standards and quarantine protocols.
- 8. There shall be a full-time Safety Engineer/Officer assigned at the site who shall strictly monitor work activities. Said Safety Engineer/Officer shall ensure strict compliance with DOLE D.O. No. 13, Series of 1998 and the DTI and DOLE Interim Guidelines on Workplace Prevention and Control of COVID-19 with regard to the wearing of additional personal protective equipment (PPE) required such as, but not limited to, face masks, safety glasses/goggles, face shields, and long sleeve T-shirts, and other measures to contain the spread of COVID-19 in the workplace, as provided in these Guidelines.
- 9. For off-site employees' quarters, transport service, duly disinfected before and after use, shall be provided, and social distancing shall likewise be observed therein at all times in accordance with DOTr guidelines.



B. DURING DEPLOYMENT

- 10. Sharing of construction and office equipment is discouraged. However, if necessary, the shared equipment must be disinfected in between transfers amongst personnel.
- 11. All material and equipment delivery and disposal shall be conducted by a specific team of personnel on an isolated loading/unloading zone while limiting contact with the delivery/disposal personnel. All material and/or equipment entering the construction site shall be duly disinfected, as possible.
- 12. Non-essential personnel, visitors, and the general public shall be restricted to enter the construction site, employees' quarters, and field offices. Otherwise, all personnel entering the construction site premises on a temporary basis (e.g. Delivery truck drivers, inspectors, etc.) shall be properly logged and checked for symptoms.
- 13. All kinds of gatherings are not allowed.
- 14. Liquors, and/or merry-making are strictly prohibited on construction site premises.



B. DURING DEPLOYMENT

- 15. Clustered and staggered deployment of employees within the construction site shall be observed to minimize personnel contact and for easier contact tracing.
- 16. Proper waste disposal shall be provided for infectious waste such as PPEs and other waste products coming from outside the construction premises.



IV. MONITORING and ENFORCEMENT:

- 1. For SBMA and private infrastructure projects, the head of the concerned Implementing Office (IO) shall monitor compliance with these Guidelines and issue one (1) Construction Quarantine Pass (QP) to a contractor per project (A copy of the QP form is attached hereto as Annex "A"). It is understood that the QP referred in these Guidelines shall cover transit of personnel from (a) MGCQ, GCQ, MECQ area to ECQ area, and vice versa, and (b) an area not under community quarantine to a MGCQ, GCQ, MECQ, ECQ area, and vice versa.
- 2. For infrastructure projects implemented by other national government agencies, Government-Owned and Controlled Corporations (GOCC), and other government instrumentalities, the head or representative of the agency, GOCC, or government instrumentality concerned shall monitor compliance with these Guidelines. SBMA shall issue one (1) QP each to the government agency concerned and the contractor.



- 3. For monitoring purposes, personal records and health report of all personnel necessary for contact tracing shall be submitted as the case may be by the concessionaires, contractors, subcontractors, and suppliers to the SBMA IO and shall be resubmitted and updated monthly, or as the need arises (Copies of the monitoring forms are attached hereto as Annexes "B" and "C").
- 4. Concessionaires, contractors, and subcontractors shall submit the design for disinfection facilities and amenities, for monitoring purposes, to the SBMA IO as mentioned in "Prior to Deployment" item A.5.



- 5. Concessionaires, contractors, and subcontractors shall submit to the SBMA IO a certification under oath that they have complied and shall continue to comply with the provisions of these Guidelines within fifteen (15) days from commencement of work (A copy of the certification is attached hereto as Annex "D").
- 6. The allowed government and private construction projects are subject to the visitorial and enforcement powers of the SBMA Labor Department and SBMA Public Health and Safety Department (PHSD) Occupational Health and Safety Division in order to ensure compliance with the provisions on maximum allowable operational capacity in establishments as well as minimum health standards and protocols in accordance with Section 8 (4) of the Revised Omnibus Guidelines.



V. PENALTIES

Violation of any provision of this Revised Construction Safety Guidelines shall be subject to the following penalties, without prejudice to the imposition of additional administrative sanctions as the internal rules of SBMA may provide and/or further criminal action that may be filed against such erring concessionaires, contractors, sub-contractors, and suppliers, as may be provided by applicable laws:

1. Termination of contract for breach thereof resulting to default pursuant to Item III(A)(2)(c)(i), Annex I of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 9184 in relation to Section 37.2.3 of the same, which provides that bidding documents requiring bidders to know and be familiar with all existing laws, decrees, ordinances, acts, and regulations, including pertinent Orders of DPWH, shall form part of the contract awarded, and refusal or failure to comply with the valid instruction of SBMA, as the procuring entity, shall justify the contract's termination;



V. PENALTIES

- 2. Contract termination/rescission under Section 12.21(b) of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of Republic Act No. 6957, as amended by Republic Act No. 7718 (BOT Law);
- 3. Referral/ to the Philippine Contractors Accreditation Board of any such violation by the contractor/sub-contractor, which shall constitute as prima facie case of construction malperformance of grave consequence due to negligence, incompetence, or malpractice contemplated under DOLE D.O. No. 13, Series of 1998 and DPWH D.O. No. 56, Series of 2005 in relation to Republic Act No. 4566 (Contractors' License Law);
- 4. Cancellation/Revocation of Building Permit, and
- Institution of criminal action under Republic Act 11469 (Bayanihan to Heal as One Act).

These guidelines may be amended, modified or revised as the circumstances may warrant or should the Subic Bay Metropolitan Authority, Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases or the Office of the President issue new rules pertinent to these matters

VI. EFFECTIVITY

These Guidelines hereby repeal the SBMA Construction Guidelines issued on May 17, 2020.

These Guidelines shall take effect immediately.



ANNEX "A"



- One Quarantine Pass (QPass) will be given per construction company.
- Only ONE (1) person is allowed to buy food, medicines, and other basic needs of the company.
- Lost QPasses WILL NOT be replaced.
- Found QPasses shall be surrendered to the SBMA Incident Management Team Emergency Operations Center (IMT-EOC) @ Bldg. 662, Taft Street, Subic Bay Freeport Zone 2222.

VIOLATORS WILL BE PENALIZED

WILMA "Amy" T. EISMA
SBMA Chairman & Administrator



(ANNEX	"B	")
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Name of Project :



<IMPLEMENTING OFFICE> <ADDRESS>

Location: General Contract Sub-Contractor:	tor:	WORKER'S RECORD LOG								
No.	Name	Age	Sex	Address	Location of Origin Prior to Site Deployment	Mode of Transportation	Contact No.	Had any COVID-19 SYMPTOMS (Y/N)	Signature	



(Annex "C")



<IMPLEMENTING OFFICE> <Address>

DAILY COVID-19 SURVEILLANCE FILL-UP/CHECKLIST FORM

Pangalan:		Petsa:				
Edad: Kasar	ian:	Telepono:				
Lugar ng Tirahan	:	Trabaho:				
Lugar ng Trabah						
Kontraktor:						
FEVER		RESPIRATORY INFECTION				
≥38°C		g mga sumusunod (Presence of the following):				
Oo <i>(Yes)</i> Hindi <i>(No)</i>	Igsi ng Sipon Namai Tumul Nanini Nanan Sakit i Hirap Pagkal	Cough) (productive or non-productive cough graghinga (Shortness of breath) (Colds) magang lalamunan (Sore throat) tulong sipon (Runny Nose) ikip na ilong (Nasal Congestion) makit na kalamnan (Muscle Pains) mg ulo (Headache) sa paghinga (Difficulty of Breathing) tae (Diarrhea) wala ng pang-amoy (Loss of Sense of Smell) wala ng panlasa (Loss of Sense of Taste)				
	WALA	(NONE)				
	Kung mayro	oong presenya ng mga nasa taas, simula kailan. (If				
	identified it	vith presence of the above, since when)?				

Pagpapahayag: Ang mga impormasyon na aking ibinigay dito ay totoo, tama at kumpleto. Aking na-iintindihan na ang hindi pagsagot sa mga katanungan o ang maling sagot ay maaaring may seryosong kinahihinatnan. (Article 171, & 172 of the Revised Penal Code of the Philippines and Republic Act No. 11332.)

PIRMA SA TAAS NG NAKALIMBAG NA PANGALAN



Annex "D"

CERTIFICATION AND UNDERTAKING

Pursuant to Revised SBMA Construction Safety Guidelines For the Implementation of All Infrastructure Projects During the Covid-19 Public Health Crisis, the undersigned, (name and position) of (name of company and address), contractor of (name of office/s, name of project/s and project/s details), duly authorized to act for and in behalf of the said company (as evidenced by Board Resolution/Secretary's Certificate/Special Power of Attorney, dated , and attached hereto), hereby:

 Attest that, in relation to our abovementioned project(s), our company has duly complied with all the requirements for the commencement/resumption/continuation of the operations/activities thereof during the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis, as set forth in DO No. ___, s2020; and

Undertake to:

- a) Ensure strict and continued compliance with DO No. ___, s2020 and any DPWH issuances that may be issued in the future, in relation to the implementation of infrastructure projects during the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis Community Quarantine;
- b) Allow and fully cooperate with the DPWH and other monitoring agencies' mentioned in the DPWH Revised Construction Safety Guidelines for the initial and regular inspection, and the monitoring of our abovementioned office/s and project/s, pursuant to DO No. __, s2020; and
- c) Regularly submit (at the end of each month, beginning on the month following the resumption of operations/activities of our company's abovementioned office/s and project/s) to the SBMA and other monitoring agencies' mentioned in the DPWH Revised Construction Safety Guidelines concerned electronically (or through courier service or by personal service, if the former mode is not available/feasible or timely, and such SBMA Office concerned is not under ECQ), proof of our continued compliance with the existing or subsequently-issued requirements of the DPWH relative to the COVID-19 Public Health Crisis Community Quarantine, in the form of scanned, certified documents, photos, or videos, as part of the regular monitoring and post-audit process.



Name of Company Address Contact Details			
Ву:			
(Signature) Name Position/Designation Date			
SUBSCRIBED AND SWOR affiant exhibiting to me his/ ID/Passport No.	/her competent evidence	of identity/valid g	overnment
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END OF PRESENTATION THANK YOU.



