



**EXECUTIVE ORDER NO: 17**

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**PROVIDING FOR THE BASIC HEALTH PROTOCOLS AND INTERIM STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES TO BE FOLLOWED FOR THE REOPENING OF SWIMMING POOLS AND RESORTS WITHIN THE MUNICIPALITY OF ITOGON FOR THE DURATION OF MODIFIED GENERAL COMMUNITY QUARANTINE**

Whereas under the Omnibus Guidelines on Community Quarantine with Amendments as of July 03, 2020 issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID), Category IV industries and all other establishments not permitted to operate under previous sections of the aforementioned guidelines, shall now be allowed to operate at a maximum of fifty percent (50%) operational capacity;

Whereas one of the industries under Category IV is the operation of swimming pools and resorts. As for the Municipality of Itogon, Barangay Poblacion is known for its 1300 level swimming pools and resorts;

Whereas a proposal to resume business operations was initiated by the pool and resort owners and was positively taken during the meeting of the Municipal Inter-Agency Task Force on COVID-19 on June 08, 2020;


Whereas the national government has now gradually easing up the restrictions on industries in order to cope up with various economic impacts this pandemic has caused but not setting aside the threat of the virus and hence providing and mandating observance of public health standards and calling on coordination with the local government units;

Whereas there is need to provide for the basic health protocols and interim standard operating procedures to be followed for the reopening of swimming pools and resorts within the Municipality of Itogon for the duration of Modified General Community Quarantine;

Now therefore, by virtue of the powers vested in me as the Local Chief Executive of the Municipality of Itogon in accordance with law, rules and regulations, I, VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN, do hereby issue this Executive Order as follows:

**Section 1.** This Executive Order provides for the basic health protocols and interim standard operating procedures to be followed for the reopening of swimming pools and resorts within the Municipality of Itogon for the duration of Modified General Community Quarantine.

**Section 2.** Basic Health Protocols. The following shall be strictly observed by the pool and resort owners:

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- 2.1 Install plastic shields at the cashier, counter, and store entrance;
  - 2.2 Install sanitizing equipment such as disinfectant foot dips and handwashing area at the entrance;
  - 2.3 Require guests and employees to use the installed sanitizing equipment before entry to the resort;

- 2.4 Provide a log book at the entrance on which name, address and contact number of the guests will be recorded;
- 2.5 Implement the one-meter physical distancing inside the resort;
- 2.6 Implement "No spitting in & at the pool" policy;
- 2.7 Limit the use of steam baths to 2 – 4 persons at a time;
- 2.8 Implement time limits in the use of steam pools/hot spa;
- 2.9 Remind guests and employees to properly discard used face masks and gloves.

**Section 3.** Interim Standard Operating Procedures. Pool and resort owners shall also abide with the following interim standard operating procedures:

- 3.1 Enforce opening time at 8:00 o'clock in the morning and closing time at 3:00 o'clock in the afternoon;
- 3.2 Disallow peddlers inside the resorts;
- 3.3 Disallow swimming accessories such as but not limited to floaters;
- 3.4 Disallow night swimming;
- 3.5 Disallow alcoholic beverages in the resort;
- 3.6 Ensure that "videoke" rentals shall be by contract basis only;
- 3.7 Coordinate with the Municipal Health and Services Office (MHSO) for contact tracing when necessary;
- 3.8 Practice other applicable precautionary measures in line with the prevention of the spread of COVID-19.

**Section 4.** Documents to be presented. Pool and resort owners must require the presentation of the following documents before allowing entry and access to the pools and resort by the prospective clients:

- 4.1 Barangay Certificate of Residency; and
- 4.2 Health Declaration Form.

**Section 5.** Operational Capacity. As earlier stated, pool and resort owners shall strictly observe fifty percent (50%) operational capacity.

**Section 6.** Effectivity. This Executive Order shall be effective immediately and shall remain to be effective within the duration of MGQC.

This September 03, 2020 at Itogon, Benguet.

  
**ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN**  
Municipal Mayor

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