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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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GUIDELINES ON THE CONDUCT OF HEALTH-ENHANCING PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES AND SPORTS DURING THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC

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1.0 Background

- 1.1. The Philippine Sports Commission, Games and Amusements Board, and the Department of Health issued Joint Administrative Order (JAO) No. 2020-0001, dated July 27, 2020, on the above subject.
- 1.2. The JAO aims to provide guidance for the conduct of exercise, sports and other forms of health-enhancing physical activities, as well as, play-for-pay physical sports activities for the duration of the COVID-19 response.

2.0 Scope/Coverage

2.1. All Provincial, City, and Municipal Governments, respective Sanggunians, DILG Regional Offices, BARMM Ministry for Local Government, and all others concerned

3.0 Policy Content and Guidelines

- 3.1. Pursuant to Section F of the JAO, all Local Chief Executives and Presiding Officers of the Sanggunians at the Provincial, City and Municipal levels, are **strongly enjoined** to:
 - 3.1.1. Develop counterpart local ordinances to ensure the enforcement of said JAO in areas within their jurisdiction, and to comply with other applicable national directives at the local level;
 - 3.1.2. Coordinate with relevant national government agencies in carrying out these guidelines; and

- 3.1.3. Ensure immediate and widest dissemination of these guidelines to all units/ sectors within their jurisdiction.
- 3.2. Further, the above-said local government officials are enjoined to:
 - 3.2.1. Ensure that sports, exercise, and other physical fitness facilities within their areas of jurisdiction are in compliance with the JAO and other related guidelines and issuances by PSC, DOH, IATF, and other government agencies; and
 - 3.2.2. Collaborate with said facilities to provide alternative mechanisms to deliver physical fitness services, such as but not limited to, online coaching and training programs.
- 3.3. All DILG Regional Directors and the BARMM Minister of Local Government shall cause the immediate and widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular to all LGUs within their respective jurisdictions.

4.0 Attachment

4.1. PSC-GAB-DOH Joint Administrative Order No. 2020-0001, dated July 27, 2020

5.0 Effectivity

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

6.0 Approving Authority

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Secretary

7.0 Feedback

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For related queries, kindly contact the following for your respective concerns:

- 7.1. Department of Health at tel. no. (02) 8711 9502 to 03 or email address at ftduque@doh.gov.ph.
- 7.2. Philippine Sports Commission at email address pco@psc.gov.ph.
- 7.3. Games and Amusements Board at tel. no. (02) 8813 7109.

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