



**TAGUIG CITY**  
PHILIPPINES

## TAGUIG SAFE CITY TASK FORCE

12 October 2021

**TAGUIG SAFE CITY TASK FORCE**  
ADVISORY NO. 53

**TO: ALL CONCERNED**

**RE: UPDATED GUIDELINES FOR THE OPERATIONS OF ALL CEMETERIES, MEMORIAL PARKS, COLUMBARIA, AND OTHER SIMILAR ESTABLISHMENTS FOR THE 2021 *UNDAS* SEASON**

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Pursuant to the Metro Manila Council (MMC) Resolution No. 21-22, Series of 2021, Limiting Access to Public and Private Cemeteries, Memorial Parks and Columbaria from 29 October 2021 to 2 November 2021, the following guidelines in all public and private cemeteries, memorial parks, and columbaria, shall be observed **starting 14 October 2020**:

### **1. TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF ALL CEMETERIES AND MEMORIAL PARKS**

- a. All public and private cemeteries, memorial parks, columbaria and other similar establishments shall be closed to visitors from **29 October to 2 November 2021**.
- b. Burial and cremation services allowed under the existing IATF Guidelines on the Pilot Implementation of Alert Levels System for COVID-19 Response in the National Capital Region shall continue even during the period of temporary closure.
- c. All those who wish to visit their loved ones are advised to schedule their visit before or after the dates abovementioned.

### **2. LIMITED CAPACITY AND OPERATING HOURS**

- a. Starting on 14 October 2021, the number of visitors in all cemeteries, memorial parks and other similar establishments shall be **limited to a maximum of thirty percent (30%) venue capacity**.
- b. Visitors may only be allowed from **6:00AM to 11:00AM and 1:00PM to 6:00PM**.
- c. All administrators or managers of cemeteries, memorial parks and other similar establishments must immediately post their operating hours and maximum visitor capacity at all entrances and other strategic areas within their respective vicinities.
- d. Private cemeteries and memorial parks are also strongly encouraged to make the necessary announcements in their official website and social media pages.

### **3. ALLOWED ACTIVITIES**

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Activities inside all public and private cemeteries and memorial parks, including columbaria and other similar establishments, shall be limited to lighting of candles and offering of flowers and prayers.

**4. MINORS, VACCINATED SENIOR CITIZENS AND VULNERABLE INDIVIDUALS ARE ALLOWED**

- a. Minors, vaccinated senior citizens and vaccinated vulnerable individuals, including those with comorbidities, pre-existing health conditions, or pregnant women, shall be allowed to visit their deceased loved ones in all cemeteries and memorial parks in Taguig.
- b. Unvaccinated vulnerable individuals are highly discouraged from going out of their homes to visit cemeteries or memorial parks in order to safeguard their health and safety.

**5. DURATION AND SCHEDULING OF VISITS**

- a. All cemetery or memorial park visitors shall only be allowed to stay in the premises for a **maximum of two (2) hours**.
- b. The schedule of visitors in all public cemeteries shall be as follows:

<b>1<sup>st</sup> LETTER OF LAST NAME OF DECEASED</b>	<b>TIME</b>
<b>A to M</b>	6:00 AM to 11:00 AM
<b>N to Z</b>	1:00 PM to 6:00 PM

- c. Private cemeteries and memorial parks are strongly encouraged to implement their own system of scheduling and appointment in order to avoid overcrowding and ensure easy monitoring of all their visitors.

**6. OBSERVANCE OF MINIMUM HEALTH STANDARDS AND PROTOCOLS**

In accordance with Taguig City Ordinance No. 24, Series of 2020, otherwise known as the “New Normal Ordinance of Taguig City”, the following protocols shall be strictly implemented in all cemeteries, memorial parks and other similar establishments:

- a. All cemeteries and memorial parks must designated separate entrance and exit points;
- b. All visitors must fill up Health Declaration Forms prior to entry. The use of QR codes or other online-based applications are strongly encouraged;
- c. Temperature scanning must be done before entry. Visitors with a temperature above 37.5°C should be denied entry and reported immediately to the COVID-19 hotline;
- d. Alcohol or Alcohol-based sanitizers must be readily available at the entrance and other strategic areas within the establishment;
- e. Facemasks and face shields must be worn at all times;
- f. All visitors must strictly observe social distancing of at least 1 meter at all times;

- g. In accordance with the rules on General Community Quarantine (GCQ), gatherings of more than ten (10) individuals per group are strictly prohibited, until further amended;
- h. Smoking inside all cemeteries and memorial parks are strictly prohibited, and all Designated Smoking Areas shall remain closed.

To ensure that the abovementioned protocols are followed and strictly enforced, all cemeteries and memorial parks must deploy static and roving Safety Protocol Patrol Officers to remind all their visitors.

## **7. DESIGNATED VENDORS' AREA FOR NON-FOOD ITEMS**

There shall be a designated Vendors' Area in all public and private cemeteries and memorial parks. Only vendors or sellers of flowers and candles shall be allowed, and the sale of other food and non-food products shall be strictly prohibited.

All vendors or sellers must strictly observe basic health protocols, such as but not limited to the wearing of face masks and face shields, regular hand sanitation, and the observance of social distancing.

The implementation of the guidelines provided above shall be closely and regularly monitored. These guidelines are subject to change, in accordance with the evaluation of the Safe City Task Force and the issuances of the IATF-EID, and other relevant national government agencies and offices.

Any person in violation of these guidelines shall be penalized in accordance with Republic Act No. 11332, otherwise known as the "*Mandatory Reporting of Notifiable Diseases and Health Events of Public Health Concern Act*" in relation to Presidential Proclamation No. 922, Taguig City Ordinance No. 24, Series of 2020, otherwise known as the "*New Normal Ordinance of Taguig City*" and other applicable laws and ordinances. This will be without prejudice to the filing of an administrative case if the violator is a government official or employee.

For guidance and strict compliance.

By Authority of the Mayor:

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Noted by:

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