

**Office of the President  
of the Philippines  
Malacañang**

**MEMORANDUM FROM THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARY**

FOR : **THE CHAIRPERSON AND MEMBERS**  
Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging  
Infectious Diseases (IATF)

SUBJECT : **PROTOCOLS ON THE USE OF FACE SHIELDS**

DATE : **NOV 15 2021**

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Please be informed that the President has **approved** the recommendation of the IATF in its Resolution No. 148-D (s. 2021) issued on 11 November 2021. As such, the following protocols on the use of face shields shall be implemented effective immediately:

1. For areas under Alert Level 5 and granular lockdowns, the use of face shields in community settings shall be mandatory;
2. For areas under Alert Level 4, local government units (LGUs) and private establishments are given discretion to mandate the use of face shields; and
3. For areas under Alert Levels 3, 2 and 1, the use of face shields shall be voluntary.

Prior to the full nationwide implementation of the Alert Level System pursuant to Executive Order No. 151 (s. 2021), LGUs shall have the discretion to mandate the use of face shields in areas covered by the Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community Quarantine in the Philippines, as amended, except in areas under Enhanced Community Quarantine and those under granular lockdown where it shall remain mandatory.

The above protocols are without prejudice to the continuing mandatory use of face shields in medical and quarantine facility settings, and the required use thereof by healthcare workers in healthcare settings.

For compliance.

By authority of the President:

**SALVADOR C. MEDIALDEA**

