



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 07 -2020

DIRECTING ALL LOCAL GOVERNMENT UNITS TO INTENSIFY THE MONITORING OF ENTRY AND REGULATING THE MOVEMENT, DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF SWINE, PORK AND PROCESSED MEAT PRODUCTS WITHIN THE PROVINCE THROUGH MANDATORY ESTABLISHMENT OF ANTI- ASF CHECKPOINT BETWEEN MUNICIPAL AND CITY BOUNDARIES AND KNOWN INGRESSES AND EGRESSES IN THE PROVINCE

WHEREAS, it is the policy of the State to promote a just and fair environment for trade and other economic activities, and provide effective mechanisms or measures to promote the well-being of its citizens, their livelihood, and the economy, in general;

WHEREAS, following the reported incidents of hog mortality in certain areas in the Philippines and cases of African Swine Flu in some Asian, European, and African countries, the Governor issued Executive Order No. 46-2019, declaring a total ban on the entry of swine and all fresh, frozen, and processed pork products in the Province of Isabela, and directing all local chief executives to implement measures in support of the ban, and the Isabela Provincial Police Office (IPPO) and the provincial task force to establish checkpoints in all ingresses and egresses in the province;

WHEREAS, Executive Order no. 50- 2019 was issued by the Governor in response to the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG) memorandum circular directing Local Government Units (LGUs) not to allow unwanted disruption of trade and commerce across the country and to allow distribution and sale of processed meat products that contain pork as ingredient in all provinces subject to certain conditions;

WHEREAS, Executive Order no. 55- 2019 was subsequently issued to respond to the appeal of the Regional Advisory Council on Animal Disease Control and Emergencies (RAC-ADCE) to allow inter municipal and inter provincial entry of pork , pork products and by- products produced within the region, subject to the issuance and presentation of the Livestock Inspection Certificate issued by Livestock Inspectors, Veterinary Health Certificate issued by the Provincial Veterinarian, and handlers license issued by the Department of Agriculture;

WHEREAS, there is an urgent need for a wider and more stringent measures to prevent any of its swine/pigs/pork to be infected by ASF to safeguard the Province's swine industry as well as to protect the general public from the continuing threat of these disease;

WHEREAS, Section 465 in relation to Section 16 of Republic Act 7160 which is known as the Local Government Code of 1991 empowers the Local Chief Executive to carry out measures for the faithful and appropriate enforcement and execution of laws and ordinances;

NOW THEREFORE, I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Governor of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue this order directing all local government units to intensify the monitoring of entry and regulating the movement, distribution and sale of swine,pork and processed meat products within the province through mandatory establishment of Anti- ASF checkpoint between municipal/city boundaries and known ingresses and egresses in the province

Further, to allow the transport of pork and processed meat products within the province the following conditions must be complied accordingly:

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1. All processed meat products that do not contain pork as raw material/ ingredient such as corned beef, beef hotdogs, chicken nuggets, chicken hot dogs; other meat and similar items; should be allowed unrestricted movement and distribution in all parts of the province;

Upon demand, License To Operate and /or Certificate of Product Registration issued by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and/ or Veterinary Health Certificate issued by the Provincial Veterinarian with handlers license issued by the DA to the manufacturer to be shown to quarantine/checkpoint authorities should suffice;

2. Swine, pork , and processed meat products that contain pork as ingredient either partially or fully, should be allowed to be distributed and sold in all cities/municipalities in the province, subject to the following conditions;
 - a. They are heat treated or fully cooked;
 - b. The heat treatment of these processed meat products shall be in accordance with the African Swine Fever (ASF) inactivation conditions set forth by the OIE (World Organization for Animal Health 2019 Terrestrial Animal Health Code) of 70 degrees Centigrade for at least 30 minutes.
 - c. Imported pork is generally used by meat processors. A certification by the manufacturer/ processors as to source/origin from a non-ASF (African Swine Flu) infected country supported by any acceptable document such as Veterinary Health Certificate of the exporting country and the SPS (Sanitary and Phyto Sanitary Permits) Import Permit issued by the Department of Agriculture (DA) should be presented;
 - d. a document issued by the National Meat Inspection Service (NMIS) authorizing its movement or use for production of processed meats should be presented;
 - e. For processed meat products using pork as material but do not undergo heat treatment or full cooking such as tocino, fresh longganisa, tapa and the like, a certification from the NMIS expressing the local origin of the pork material should be presented. When imported meat materials are used for these products, the permits and certifications mentioned in item (c) should be presented to ensure that source countries are free from ASF and are from sources approved by DA.
3. Shipping permit or Veterinary Health Certificate issued by the Municipal/City Veterinarian or Municipal/ City Agriculturist shall be presented to designated Animal Quarantine/ ASF Inter-Municipality/City Checkpoints;
4. Shipments of swine, pork and meat products with incomplete requirements will not be allowed entry and movement at all times.

Furthermore, the IPPO, Provincial ASF Task Force, local police and authorities are directed to ensure the application of all laws, ordinances, and other issuances in the implementation of this Order.

All issuances, orders, rules and regulations, or parts thereof that are inconsistent with any provision of this Order are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

If any part or provision of this Executive Order is held invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions not affected shall remain in force.

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 6th day of February, 2020 in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor

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