



Republic of the Philippines
 Department of Transportation
LAND TRANSPORTATION FRANCHISING & REGULATORY BOARD
 East Avenue, Quezon City

MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NUMBER 2021- 019

SUBJECT : Interim Operation of Additional Public Utility City Bus Routes To and From North Luzon Express Terminal (NLET) During Community Quarantine

WHEREAS, Section 4 of RA No. 11469 states that the President is empowered to regulate and limit the operation of all sectors of transportation through land, sea or air, whether private or public;

WHEREAS, on 15 May 2020, the IATF-EID issued the Revised Omnibus Guidelines on the Implementation of Community in the Philippines and in said guidelines, road transportation is allowed to operate subject to the guidelines set forth by the Department of Transportation (DOTr);

WHEREAS, on 26 February 2021, the IATF-EID issued Resolution No. 101 which provides that for provincial buses, they shall use the Integrated Terminal Exchange (ITX) and shall not be allowed to use their private terminals;

WHEREAS, due to the significant drop in the number COVID-19 cases in the country, along with the consequent lowering of Alert Level in Metro Manila and the neighboring provinces, passenger demand for PUBs in certain areas also increases;

WHEREAS, the Board sees the need to augment additional buses to cater influx of passengers coming from the Northern part of Luzon going to Metro Manila;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing, and by virtue of the powers and functions of the Board under Executive Order No. 202 to prescribe and regulate routes of service, economically viable capacities and zones or areas of operation of public land transportation services, the following guidelines are hereby promulgated for **INTERIM** operation **until March 31, 2022 only**:

I. Identified Routes

Route Number	Route Name	Direction	Route Structure	Direction	Route Structure	No. of Units
38	NLET - Araneta Bus Terminal (Cubao) via Mindanao Exit, C-5	NB	Cubao	SB	North Luzon Express Terminal (NLET)	20 units
			P. Tuazon Boulevard		Ciudad de Victoria Exit	
			20th Avenue		NLEX	
			Bonny Serrano Avenue		Mindanao Exit	
			Katipunan Avenue (C-5)		Mindanao Avenue	
			Luzon Avenue		Congressional Avenue	
			Congressional Avenue Extension		Congressional Avenue Extension	
			Congressional Avenue		Luzon Avenue	
			Mindanao Avenue		Katipunan Avenue (C-5)	
			NLEX		P. Tuazon Boulevard	
			Ciudad de Victoria Exit		Cubao	

Route Number	Route Name	Direction	Route Structure	Direction	Route Structure	No. of Units
			North Luzon Express Terminal (NLET)			
39	NLET - PITX via NLEX, A. Bonifacio, Taft Avenue	NB	Parañaque Integrated Terminal Exchange (PITx)	SB	North Luzon Express Terminal (NLET)	20 units
			Diosdado Macapagal Boulevard		Ciudad de Victoria Exit	
			Seaside Boulevard		NLEX	
			Roxas Boulevard		Pan Phil Highway (Toll Road)	
			Buendia Avenue		A. Bonifacio Avenue	
			Taft Avenue		Blumentritt Road	
			Quezon Boulevard		Aurora Boulevard	
			LaongLaan Road		Dimasalang Road	
			Dimasalang Road		LaongLaan Road	
			Retiro Street		Alfonso Mendoza Street	
			Blumentritt Road		Quezon Boulevard	
			A. Bonifacio Avenue		Taft Avenue	
			Pan Phil Highway (Toll Road)		Buendia Avenue	
			NLEX		U-turn @ World Trade Center	
			Ciudad de Victoria Exit		Roxas Boulevard	
			North Luzon Express Terminal (NLET)		EDSA Extension	
					Globe Rotonda (MOA)	
					EDSA Extension	
					Diosdado Macapagal Boulevard	
					Parañaque Integrated Terminal Exchange (PITx)	

The corresponding Fares for the above routes are provided under **Annex "A"**.

II. Coverage

This Memorandum Circular (MC) shall cover grantees of valid and existing Certificate of Public Convenience (CPC) for Public Utility City Buses, or those with Application for Extension of Validity of CPC has been filed for expired CPCs operating in the National Capital Region and those that will be entering Metro Manila from nearby provinces, including those Provincial Buses converted into City Buses pursuant to Memorandum Circular No. 2018-022 and 2020-019.

III. Qualification Requirements

1. Submission of Letter of Intent with complete requirements shall be on a first-come, first-served basis, to be personally filed before the GCQ Selection Committee through the Office of the Technical Division within five (5) days from the effectivity of this MC (Window 8 of Central Office).
2. The Applicants covered under this MC as defined under Item II. shall submit the Letter of Intent with the following requirements:
 - a. Official Receipt and Certificate of Registration (OR/CR) of the currently registered PUB units with valid Personal Passenger Insurance Policy;
 - b. Proof that the units are operationally equipped with CCTV, Dashcam, Wifi and Global Navigation Satellite System (GNSS), for proper monitoring of units;
 - c. Undertaking to strictly comply with the Service Plan to be provided by the LTFRB;
3. The operator must be able to supply the total number of units per route.

IV. Criteria in the Selection of the Operator

1. Only one (1) Single Fleet-Managed Operator/Consortium shall be selected for each route on a first-come, first-served basis.
2. The operator who submits the Application first with complete requirements and able to comply with the Qualification Requirements set forth under Item III shall be the one to be selected.
3. Should there be two (2) or more Applicants who filed within a particular day, they shall all be considered for evaluation. Should there be two or more that passed the Qualification Requirements on a particular day, a public lottery shall be conducted in the presence of the Applicants to determine who among the qualified Applicants will be issued Special Permit.
4. Pending the final selection, Applicants shall still be allowed to file their application documents.

V. Compliance to Existing Health Protocols

Selected operators shall strictly comply and observe issuances of the Board relative to the IATF and Department of Health (DoH) health protocols.

VI. Penalty Clause

Non-compliance or violation to any of the provisions of this MC shall be a ground for the imposition of appropriate penalties under the existing policies of the Board, without prejudice on the part of the LTFRB to **CANCEL** the issued Special Permit, should the prevailing circumstances so warrant.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately following its publication in at least one (1) newspaper of general circulation. Let three (3) copies hereof be filed with the UP Law Center- Office of National Administrative Registrar (ONAR).

SO ORDERED.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED THROUGH TELECONFERENCE
on December 17, 2021, Quezon City, Philippines


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P/Col. JOEL C. PERNITO (Ret.)
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“ANNEX A”

1. NLET – Araneta Bus Terminal (Cubao) Fare Matrix

Route: NLET –Araneta Bus Terminal (Cubao) (NORTH BOUND)

Distance (km)	Stop/Landmark	Regular	Student / Elderly / Disabled
0	Cubao	0.00	0.00
1	20th Avenue	1.75	1.50
3	Quirino Memorial Medical Center / Katipunan Avenue (C-5)	5.25	4.25
5	Miriam College / Katipunan Avenue (C-5)	8.75	7.00
6	UP Town Center / Katipunan Avenue (C-5)	10.50	8.50
7	Philippine Public Safety College / Katipunan Avenue (C-5)	12.25	9.75
9	Tierra Pura Homes / Congressional Avenue Extension	15.75	12.50
12	Circle C Shopping Mall / Congressional Avenue	21.00	16.75
13	Metro North Medical Center / Mindanao Avenue	22.75	18.25
15	Pacific Global Medical Center / Mindanao Avenue	26.25	21.00
16	Toyota North EDSA / Mindanao Avenue	28.00	22.50
17	Mindanao Avenue Toll Plaza / NLEX	29.75	23.75
31	Ciudad de Victoria Exit / NLEX	54.25	43.50
32	NLET	56.00	44.75

Route: NLET –Araneta Bus Terminal (Cubao) (SOUTH BOUND)

Distance (km)	Stop/Landmark	Regular	Student / Elderly / Disabled
0	NLET	0.00	0.00
1	Ciudad de Victoria Exit / NLEX	1.75	1.50
16	Mindanao Avenue Exit / Toyota North EDSA / Mindanao Avenue	28.00	22.50
17	Pacific Global Medical Center / Mindanao Avenue	29.75	23.75
19	Metro North Medical Center / Mindanao Avenue	33.25	26.50
20	Circle C Shopping Center / Congressional Avenue	35.00	28.00
22	Tierra Pura Homes / Congressional Avenue Extension	38.50	30.75
25	Philippine Public Safety College / Katipunan Avenue (C-5)	43.75	35.00
26	UP Town Center / Katipunan Avenue (C-5)	45.50	36.50
27	Miriam College / Katipunan Avenue (C-5)	47.25	37.75
30	Daily Supermarket / P. Tuazon Boulevard	52.50	42.00
32	Cubao	56.00	44.75

2. NLET – PITX (Cubao) Fare Matrix

Route: NLET –PITX (NORTH BOUND)

Distance (km)	Stop/Landmark	Regular	Student / Elderly / Disabled
0	PITX	0.00	0.00
2	Baclaran Church / Roxas Boulevard	3.50	2.75
6	Gil Puyat LRT 1 Station / Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue	10.50	8.50
7	De La Salle University Manila / Taft Avenue	12.25	9.75
9	Philippine General Hospital / Taft Avenue	15.75	12.50
10	National Museum of the Philippines / Taft Avenue	17.50	14.00
11	Liwasang Bonifacio / Radial Road 8	19.25	15.50
12	Isetann Cinerama Complex / Quezon Boulevard	21.00	16.75
14	Blumentritt Road	24.50	19.50
18	Ayala Malls Cloverleaf / A. Bonifacio Avenue	31.50	25.25
21	NLEX Balintawak Toll Plaza / NLEX	36.75	29.50
36	NLET	63.00	50.50

Route: NLET –PITX (SOUTH BOUND)

Distance (km)	Stop/Landmark	Regular	Student / Elderly / Disabled
0	NLET	0.00	0.00
1	Ciudad de Victoria Exit / NLEX	1.75	1.50
15	NLEX Balintawak Toll Plaza / NLEX	26.25	21.00
17	Ayala Malls Cloverleaf / A. Bonifacio Avenue	29.75	23.75
21	Chinese General Hospital and Medical Center / Blumentritt Road	36.75	29.50
24	Isetann Cinerama Complex / Quezon Boulevard	42.00	33.50
25	Liwasang Bonifacio / Radial Road 8	43.75	35.00
26	National Museum of the Philippines / Taft Avenue	45.50	36.50
27	Philippine General Hospital / Taft Avenue	47.25	37.75
28	De La Salle University Manila / Taft Avenue	49.00	39.25
30	Gil Puyat LRT 1 Station / Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue	52.50	42.00
31	Philippine Trade Training Center / Sen. Gil J. Puyat Avenue	54.25	43.50
33	Baclaran Church / Roxas Boulevard	57.75	46.25
36	PITX	63.00	50.50