



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

**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR
NUMBER 2022- 001**

SUBJECT : GUIDELINES ON THE ACCESS TO PUBLIC LAND TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FOR THE VACCINATED POPULATION IN THE NATIONAL CAPITAL REGION UNDER ALERT LEVEL NO. 3 OR HIGHER, PURSUANT TO DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 2022-001

WHEREAS, President Rodrigo Roa Duterte signed Proclamation No. 922 entitled “Declaring a State of Public Health Emergency Throughout the Philippines” on 8 March 2020 in view of the reported COVID-19 cases in the country, which was later on extended until 12 September 2022 through Presidential Proclamation No. 1218;

WHEREAS, due to the alarming upsurge of COVID-19 cases, which may be caused by the local transmission of Omicron variant of the virus, President Rodrigo Duterte directed the restriction of movement of unvaccinated individuals;

WHEREAS, the Metro Manila Council issued MMDA Resolution No. 22-01, series of 2022, urging Metro Manila Local Government Units (LGUs) to enact ordinances on enhanced restrictions over unvaccinated individuals, who are more susceptible to severe cases of COVID-19 infections, thereby avoiding any undue burden on the health care system to the detriment of public health;

WHEREAS, subsequently, the National Capital Region (NCR) LGUs passed resolutions, ordinances, and/or advisories regulating mobility of individuals in their respective jurisdictions, depending on their vaccination status

WHEREAS, 11 January 2022, the Department of Transportation (DOTr) issued Department Order (DO) No. 2022-001 re: Limiting Public Transportation Access to Vaccinated Population in the National Capital Region under Alert Level No. 3 or higher;

WHEREAS, in the same DO, the DOTr has directed the LTFRB to immediately issue resolutions, circulars, advisories and other notices to implement the provisions of the Order, and to call upon other agencies and/or coordinate other government offices to effectively implement the same;

NOW THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the foregoing, and in compliance to the Order of the DOTr, the Board hereby adopts the “No Vaccine, No Ride” Policy subject to the following guidelines:

I. Coverage

This Circular shall cover ALL Public Utility Vehicle (PUV) Operators of public land transportation services, including their employees/workers (such as drivers, conductors, inspectors, dispatchers, coordinators and ticket sellers in the terminals), operating within NCR and those inter-regional routes that will be entering NCR.

II. No Vaccination, No Ride Policy

Operators covered under this MC shall issue tickets or allow access to the PUV ONLY to those “FULLY VACCINATED INDIVIDUALS”, who can sufficiently provide and show proof of the following:

- a) Physical or digital copies of:
 - i. LGU-issued vaccine card, or
 - ii. DOH-issued vaccine certification, or
 - iii. Any IATF-prescribed document;
- and
- b) Physical copy of any valid government issued ID with picture and address.

Digital copies would include photocopy, picture and scanned copy.

A person is considered fully vaccinated in the following cases:

- (a) two (2) weeks after the date when second dose was administered in a two-dose series, such as the Pfizer or Moderna vaccines; or
- (b) two (2) weeks after the date when the single-dose vaccine was administered, such as Johnson & Johnson’s Janssen vaccine.

III. Exceptions

The “No Vaccination, No Ride Policy” shall NOT apply to the following:

- a.) Persons with medical conditions that prevent full COVID-19 vaccination, as evidenced by a duly signed medical certificate with name and contact details of the physician; and
- b.) Persons who will procure essential goods and services, such as but not limited to food, water, medicine, medical devices, public utilities, energy, work, and medical and dental necessities, as evidenced by a duly issued barangay health pass or other appropriate proof of support and justify such travel.

IV. Responsibilities of the PUV Operator

In addition to the imposed strict compliance with the existing health protocols, PUV Operators shall also ensure that only fully vaccinated drivers, conductors, inspectors, dispatchers, coordinators and ticket sellers in the terminals shall be allowed to report for work, for the protection of the riding public.

To facilitate the inspection of Transport Marshal on the compliance of the foregoing paragraph and assure the riding public, PUV operators shall ensure that the Vaccination Cards and ID of their drivers and conductors are conspicuously displayed inside the vehicle. For the other transport workers (inspectors, dispatchers, coordinators and ticket sellers in the terminals), they shall always wear their ID with the Vaccination Card.

V. Violation and Penalties

Failure to comply with any of the provisions of this MC shall be considered as a violation of the terms and conditions of their CPC and appropriate penalties shall be imposed against the operator, in accordance with the provisions of Joint Administrative

Order No. 2014-01, without prejudice to the filing of appropriate charges as may be determined and filed by other enforcement agencies.

For violation/s committed by the drivers of PUVs, the Board may recommend to the Land Transportation Office (LTO) for the suspension of their Driver's License, also without prejudice to the filing of appropriate charges against the said driver, as may be determined and filed by other enforcement agencies.

VI. Coordination with Other Government Agencies

Consistent to the guidance of the DOTr to call upon other agencies, the Board seeks the support and coordination with the Department of Interior and Local Government (DILG), Philippine National Police (PNP) and LGUs concerned for the effective implementation of this Circular.

Further, Transport Marshals shall randomly check PUVs as to the compliance of this MC.

The foregoing provisions shall remain in full force and effect while the COVID-19 alert level in NCR is at Alert Level 3 or higher, as may be determined by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Disease (IATF-EID).

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 12th day of January 2022, Quezon City, Philippines**


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