



Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Davao Oriental

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Provincial Inter Agency Task Force on COVID 19

Davao Oriental COVID 19 Task Force (PIATF – COVID 19)  
ORDER NO. 2020-001  
April 11, 2020

FROM: CHAIRPERSON, PROVINCIAL INTER AGENCY TASK FORCE ON COVID 19  
TO: ALL MAYORS, MEMBERS OF THE INTER-AGENCY TASK FORCE  
SUBJECT: USE OF MISTING AND/OR SPRAYING

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In reference to the Department of Health (DOH) Department Circular No. 2020-0172 regarding misting or spraying for COVID 19 and upon the recommendation of the Incident Commander of the PIATF, all PIATF members, as well as all provincial stakeholders both in the public and private sectors, are hereby directed to prohibit and/or avoid spraying and misting on border checkpoints, screening areas, the entrance of establishments and other locations.

Additionally, in the same department circular, DOH warns of the health and safety concerns of misting or spraying that can cause dispersing of pathogens into the air, skin irritation or inhalation which can further cause respiratory effects. This also poses additional environmental pollution. As such, those existing misting or spraying equipment must be removed.

As an alternative to spraying or misting, it is recommended that objects have to be soaked or surfaces are cleaned directly with disinfectant.

For your guidance and compliance.

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Governor/Chairperson, PIATF-COVID 19