



Republic of the Philippines
PROVINCE OF ISABELA
City of Ilagan

Office of the Governor

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 06 Series of 2021

AN ORDER EXPANDING THE PROHIBITIONS IMPOSED BY E.O. NO. 05 AND REQUIRING ALL COCKPIT OPERATORS TO IMMEDIATELY IMPLEMENT A COMPUTERIZED BETTING SYSTEM.

WHEREAS, on January 29, 2021, undersigned issued E.O. No. 05 prohibiting on- site betting, shouting of bets or "pago" and bet takers or "kristo" in all cockpit arena or "gallera" in the province of Isabela, including other conditions to be followed for cockfighting to be allowed;

WHEREAS, included in said conditions are the directives that cashless betting via e-wallet or computerized bet taking shall be allowed and that mobile phones and tablets to be used in betting and taking of bets are highly encouraged;

WHEREAS, it has been observed that cockpits still allow and continue the practice the taking of bets via shouting and that bet match makers still take "pago" and ask bettors to lay bets thru microphone announcements and still shout to the audience the unmatched laid bets or "parada", despite the prohibitions made in E.O. No. 05;

WHEREAS, cockfighting is allowed to operate under the IATF MEID Omnibus Guidelines but subject to strengthened LGU protocols to arrest sudden spike of cases that could possibly arise from its continued operations;

WHEREAS, to support the continuing operations of cockfighting without sacrificing the health of the aficionados and avoid the cockpit arenas as venue for COVID-19 transmission, a computerized betting system must be in place and followed by cockpit operators and “aficionados”;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, RODOLFO T. ALBANO III, Governor of the province of Isabela, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue this order expanding the prohibitions imposed by Executive Order No. 05 and requiring all cockpit operators to immediately implement a computerized betting/wager system.

Suggested computerized system shall be operated as follows:

1. Two computers shall be made available with larger extension monitors to be installed in strategic areas to allow audience and bettors to see wagers placed for a particular fighting cock;

Upon entry to the cockpit, aficionados shall be asked to register and to deposit amount of cash they are willing to use as bet or shall procure or load e-wallet which they can used to bet;

2. “Parada” or laid bets for matched fighting cock shall be inputted in the computers to determine which fighting cock shall be considered “meron” or favored; or “wala”, the fighting cock considered as underdog. The fighting cock with higher or bigger “parada” shall be initially labelled as “meron” while the fighting cock with lesser laid bet or “parada” shall be labelled “wala”;

The difference in wager placed shall be displayed in the installed monitor to allow bettors to decide whether to place additional bets on the “wala” side. The “meron” or “wala” designation may change depending on which side the bettor are leaning or when

the “parada” for the “meron” is immediately equaled by additional bets for the “wala” side. A changing of the designation shall be consequently be made by the computer operators based on the displayed interest or bettor leaning manifested by the additional wagers put on the “wala” side;

3. To place a bet or wager, one has to approach either the “meron” or “wala” computer and place their bet thru a computer operator. In case of cash deposit, it shall be charged against the deposited amount or they can use their cellphones to load a bet which shall be deducted from their e-wallet or thru any other cashless system. An algorithm shall determine deficiency in the wager matched against the contending bet. No fight shall push through until laid bets or “parada” for both sides be equal or until bets in addition to the laid bets for “wala” shall be equal to those bets placed for “meron”;
4. After the “parada” for each side shall have been matched or equal to each other, the “casador” shall give the cue to the computer operators, no longer a public announcement as they use to do, for an open or public betting from the stands, to be made thru the monitors. Bettors shall be asked to have their bets be inputed in the computer showing “meron” or “wala” or thru their e-wallet system or thru any other cashless system. For actual bets vis deposited cash, a lining cue for the inputing of bets shall be made following the social distancing requirements;

An algorithm shall determine and display which side has a bet deficiency or unmatched wagers and operators shall wait within a designated time period for additional bets to be placed to match all bets placed in the “meron” side.

Unmatched wagers shall be displayed in the monitors to inform those whose bets are not matched by the other side. If no one places additional wager on even odds or “parehas”, the computer operator, thru the installed monitors, will now ask bettors for a pro rata wager or lower winning odd by showing the same in the monitor, to wit:

In descending order if there are no bettors:

“lo - dies” – a P100 bet wins P125 or a P200 bet wins P250
and so on;

“walo-anim” – a P600 bet wins P800 and so on;

“sampu-anim” – a P600 bet wins P1,000 and so on;

“doblado/a” – a P1000 bet wins P2,000 and so on.

5. After a designated period shall have lapsed, bets which remains unmatched shall be announced thru the monitor and are therefore deemed cancelled.
6. The fight shall thereafter commence and ends when the “sentensyador” raises the winning cock as a symbol it has won.
7. Computer operators shall then make the necessary entry to effect the addition or deduction to the ledger of the bettors with cash deposit and send electronic winnings thru the e-wallet of those who betted using the same.

Cockpit operators are encouraged to immediately adopt computerized systems other the one described above or alternative systems provided the same are computer based, doing away with the regular practice of shouting of bets. Moreover, In lieu of actual placing of cash wagers where there is still the danger of transmitting a virus thru the paper money used, operators are strongly urged to use

a system that utilizes e-wallet or other cashless system in taking and placing of bets.

Finally, should any provision of this Order be declared invalid, the other provisions unaffected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

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

This Executive Order shall take effect immediately.

Issued this 30th day of January, 2021 in the City of Ilagan, Isabela.


RODOLFO T. ALBANO III
Governor