



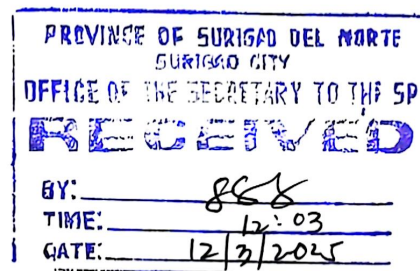
Republic of the Philippines
Province of Surigao del Norte
MUNICIPALITY OF MALIMONO

OFFICE OF THE SANGGUNIANG BAYAN
21ST SANGGUNIAN

EXCERPT FROM THE MINUTES OF THE 18TH REGULAR SESSION OF THE 21ST SANGGUNIANG BAYAN HELD ON OCTOBER 27, 2025 AT THE MUNICIPAL SESSION HALL, MALIMONO, SURIGAO DEL NORTE.

PRESENT:

- HON. ROBERT T. SENACA, Municipal Vice Mayor, Presiding
- HON. MONA LIZA C. MANTILLA, 1st SB Member
- HON. NATIVIDAD P. ABRAHAM, 2nd SB Member
- HON. RADITO M. GALOLA, 3rd SB Member
- HON. AGUSTINO G. SANDIGAN, 4th SB Member
- HON. ROSE ANN T. CATUBIGAN, 5th SB Member
- HON. JOAN S. STOHLTON, 6th SB Member
- HON. EULOGIO S. FEROL III, 7th SB Member
- HON. REYNALDO T. PAÑO, 8th SB Member
- HON. ADELARD A. MANTALA, LNMB President, Ex-Officio Member
- HON. NIÑO RAMEL JOHN ESTOQUE, SK Federated President, Ex-Officio Member
- HON. ROLANDO Y. TIAMBONG, IPM Representative, Ex-Officio Member



ABSENT:

NONE

MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 18
Series of 2025
Author: Hon. Reynaldo T. Paño

ENACTING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF PRICE RANGE ON AGRICULTURAL, NON-AGRICULTURAL, AND MARINE PRODUCTS; MANDATING THE APPLICATION OF PRICE TAG LAW ON SALES TO THE PUBLIC; AND PRESCRIBING PENALTIES ON PRICE MANIPULATION AND PROFITEERING VIOLATIONS IN THE MUNICIPALITY.

Section 1. Title. This Ordinance shall be known as the "Price Range Ordinance of the Municipality of Malimono, Surigao del Norte".

Section 2. Policy Statement. It's the policy of the municipality to ensure the protection of the consumers thru the following:

- a) Stabilize the prices of basic necessities and prime commodities by prescribing measures against undue price increases during emergency situations and like occasions as per Republic Act No. 7581 known as the Price Act;

- b) Prevent traders, middlemen, wholesalers, and retailers in abrupt rising of prices of agricultural, non- agricultural, marine products, and all basic necessities and prime commodities; and
- c) Mandatory implementation of RA No. 71 referred as the Price Tag Law to all commodities on sale to the public.

Section 3. Coverage. This Ordinance shall apply to all commodities pertinent to agriculture, non- agriculture and marine products displayed and sold in the public market either inside or outside, or stores and groceries either wholesale or retail. This shall apply also to vendors selling the same through online or other modes of selling;

Section 4. Definition of Terms. The following shall be construed under this Ordinance:

- a. **Market Price** – the average acceptable and reasonable price of agricultural, non-agricultural, marine products, and all other commodities as determined by the Price Inspection Team in coordination with the Department of Agriculture (DA) and Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR), Department of Trade and Industry (DTI), and Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA).
- b. **Market Vendor/Vendor** – refers to a person, natural or juridical, resident and non-resident of the municipality engaged in selling agricultural, non-agricultural, and marine products within the Municipality of Malimono.
- c. **Farm Gate Price** – essentially the price at the "first point of sale" and can also be referred to as the producer price.
- d. **Prevailing Price** – the current market price of a good or service, often determined by the forces of supply and demand. It's essentially the price at which something is most commonly bought and sold at a particular time and place.
- e. **Market Store / Grocery Store** – retail/wholesale establishment selling items to the public.
- f. **Basic Necessities** – essential items and resources needed for survival and well-being. These typically include food, water, shelter, and clothing, which are fundamental for human survival.
- g. **Prime Commodities** – goods that are not considered basic necessities but are still essential for consumers. These include things like flour, processed meat, dairy products not classified as basic necessities, noodles, onions, garlic, vinegar, soy sauce, and other similar products. They are often subject to price controls or monitoring during times of emergency or when prices rise unreasonably.
- h. **Emergency Situation** – refers to the existing of fortuitous events such as typhoon, earthquake, tsunami, famine, flood, plague, epidemic, pandemic, terrorism, wildfire, and other similar situation that put public order or health at stake.

Section 5. Price Range. Price Range is the span between the lowest and highest prices of commodity over a given period of time. It may be in a form of percentage (%) or in pesos per kilo mark up without denying legitimate business affair return of investment.

In this Ordinance, Farm Gate Price (FGP) or first point of sales of commodity, either from farmers or fishermen, shall be primarily considered as firsthand information to determine the Price Range (PR). Statistics and available data of which could be sourced out from the Philippine Statistics Authority (PSA), Department of Agriculture (DA), Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (BFAR), and the Department of Trade and Industry (DTI).

Price Range (PR) could be established by multiplying Farm Gate Price (PR) with Computed Percentage (CP). The latter is the suggested percentage from all inputs being considered that include the transportation, gas, oil, distance, supply, and the like.

Suggested Price Range in the municipality shall be as follows:

- Twenty-five percent (25%) to thirty percent (30%) for every kilo of first-class fish;
- Fifteen percent (15%) to twenty percent (20%) for every kilo of second-class fish;
- Twenty percent (20%) to twenty-five percent (25%) for every kilo of livestock meat (swine, beef, goat, chicken, and duck);
- Fifteen percent (15%) to twenty percent (20%) for every kilo of vegetables from other places outside the Province of Surigao del Norte; and
- Eight percent (8%) to ten percent (10%) for every kilo of vegetables locally produced.

For non-agricultural products, the Suggested Retail Price (SRP) from DTI is mandatory. However, for the purpose of Price Range in the municipality, a five percent (5%) mark-up for wholesale and eight percent (8%) for retail is allowable.

The Department of Trade and Industry (DTI) shall provide the Farm Gate Price as the same is its function. A Group Chat (GC) shall also be established and automatically activated for the purpose. Further, Punong Barangays are hereby deputized to monitor and collect the Farm Gate Price in their respective barangays twice a month, that is every first and third Mondays of the month.

In the event the farmers and fishermen are not aware of the Farm Gate Price, the Municipal Agriculture Office and the Municipal Price Inspection Team shall provide the information based from available data of early-mentioned national line agencies.

Section 6. Adoption of Price Tag Law or Republic Act No. 71. All articles of commodity offered for sale to the public at retail shall be publicly displayed with appropriate tags or labels to indicate the price of each article, and said article shall be sold uniformly and without discrimination at the stated price. Price tag, label or marking must be written clearly indicating the price of the product in pesos and centavos.

The Municipal Agriculture Office shall prescribe the rules and regulations for the visible placement of price tags. There shall be no excuses or alterations of any sort of price tags, labels or marking.

Section 7. Municipal Price Inspection Team. This team shall be composed of Municipal Government personnel and Civil Society Organization (CSO) representatives. Its primary function is to protect the public against price irregularities. Its membership is as follows:

Chairman	:	Municipal Agriculturist
Members	:	Municipal Treasurer



MDRRMO
DTI Representative
AT on Fishery, Livestock
MFARMC President
MAFC President
CSO Representative
All 14 Punong Barangays

Section 8. Specific Functions of the Municipal Price Inspection Team.

- a) Conduct regular price monitoring on agricultural, non- agricultural, marine products, and all commodities for sale;
- b) Impose upon the vendors the current acceptable price based on Price Range computation;
- c) Impose upon the vendors the strict observance of the Price Tag Law in all commodities sold to the public as mandated by Republic Act No. 71; and
- d) Recommend to the Municipal Mayor the cancellation of business permit and/or ejection from the public market or stall due to repeated violation of the Ordinance.

Section 9. Price Profiteering and Manipulation. Price profiteering and manipulation is an offense subject for imposition of penalty prescribed in succeeding Section. It's committed if goods are sold at a price grossly in excess of their true worth. Prima facie evidence of profiteering includes selling a product without a price tag, misrepresenting its weight or measurement, or raising the price by more than 10% in a month.

Section 10. Penalties. Any person found violating this Ordinance shall be liable of hereunder penalties payable at the Municipal Treasury Office:

First Offense	:	Php1,000.00
Second Offense	:	1,500.00
Third Offense	:	2,500.00 or cancellation of business permit and ejection from the public market or stall and/or imprisonment for one (1) month to six (6) months upon the discretion of the court.

Section 11. Repealing Clause. Any existing ordinance inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance is hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

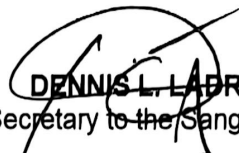
Section 12. Separability Clause. If for any reason or reasons, any provision of this ordinance be declared invalid, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 13. Effectivity Clause. This ordinance shall take effect immediately upon compliance of publication requirement following its approval.

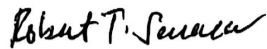
ENACTED during the 18th Regular Session of the 21st Sangguniang Bayan held on October 27, 2025 following the motion raised by the proponent himself seconded severally by Hon. Joan S. Stohlton and Hon. Eulogio S. Ferol III, and affirmatively voted upon by the rest of the members in attendance.



I HEREBY CERTIFY to the correctness of the foregoing ordinance.


DENNIS L. LABRES
Secretary to the Sanggunian

Attested and certified to have been duly enacted:


ROBERT T. SENACA
Municipal Vice Mayor
Presiding Officer

APPROVED.

ARNEL S. AMALLA, EE, EnR
Municipal Mayor

December 2, 2025
Date of Approval