

# **SEVERE WEATHER BULLETIN #14**

FOR: TROPICAL DEPRESSION "OFEL"
TROPICAL CYCLONE: ALERT

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(Valid for broadcast until the next bulletin to be issued at 11 AM today)

## TROPICAL DEPRESSION "OFEL" IS NOW OVER THE WEST PHILIPPINE SEA.

#### Track and intensity outlook:

• "OFEL" will continue moving westward or west-northwestward over the West Philippine Sea today. There is an increasing likelihood that this tropical depression will weaken into a Low Pressure Area within the next 12 to 24 hours over the West Philippine Sea.

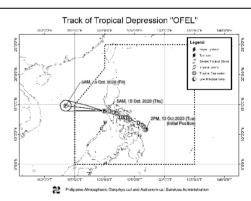
# Hazards affecting land areas:

- Rainfall: Today, moderate to heavy rains over Aurora. Light to moderate with at times heavy rains over mainland Cagayan Valley,
  Cordillera Administrative Region, and the rest of Central Luzon due to "OFEL" and over Occidental Mindoro and Palawan (including
  Calamian, Cuyo, and Kalayaan Islands) due to Southwest Monsoon. Flooding (including flashfloods) and rain-induced landslides may
  occur during heavy or prolonged rainfall especially in areas that are highly or very highly susceptible to these hazards. PAGASA
  Regional Services Divisions may issue local thunderstorm/rainfall advisories and heavy rainfall warnings as appropriate.
- Winds: Tropical Cyclone Wind Signal #1 is hereby lifted for all localities. However, occasional gusts may still be experienced over Zambales, Bataan, Cavite, Batangas, Occidental Mindoro, and Palawan (including Calamian and Kalayaan Islands) due to "OFEL" and the Southwest Monsoon. Gusty conditions associated with the northeasterly surface wind flow will also be experienced over Batanes, Babuyan Islands, Cordillera Administrative Region, Aurora, and the coastal and mountainous areas of llocos Norte and mainland Cagayan Valley.

## Hazards affecting coastal waters:

- Gale Warning is in effect over the entire seaboard of Northern Luzon and the seaboard of Aurora due to rough to very rough seas (2.5 to 4.5 m) associated with the northeasterly surface wind flow. Sea travel is risky over these areas, especially for those using small seacrafts.
- Moderate to rough seas (2.1 to 3.5 m) due to "OFEL" and the Southwest Monsoon will be experienced over the seaboards of Zambales, Bataan, Quezon, Occidental Mindoro, and Palawan (including Calamian and Kalayaan Islands). Those with small seacrafts are advised not to venture out to sea over these areas.

Location of eye/center	At 7:00 AM today, the center of Tropical Depression "OFEL" was estimated based on all available data at 170 km West Northwest of Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro or 150 km West of Tanauan City, Batangas (13.9°N, 119.7°E).
Strength	Maximum sustained winds of <b>45 km/h</b> near the center and gustiness of up to <b>55 km/h</b> .
Movement	Moving Westward at 20 km/h.
Forecast Positions	24 Hour (Tomorrow morning): 730 km West of Subic Bay (OUTSIDE PAR) (14.8°N, 113.5°E)



#### NO TROPICAL CYCLONE WIND SIGNAL

The public and the disaster risk reduction and management council concerned are advised to take appropriate actions and watch for the next update to be incorporated in the next Severe Weather Bulletin to be issued at 11 AM today.

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