



Republic of the Philippines  
Province of Aklan  
MUNICIPALITY OF MALAY



*Office of the Sangguniang Bayan*

**MUNICIPAL ORDINANCE NO. 87**  
Series of 1996

**AN ORDINANCE BANNING THE USE OF "SODSOD" IN GATHERING SHELLS IN THE SHORES OF MALAY, AKLAN.**

**DEFINITION OF TERMS:**

As used in this ordinance the term "Sodsod" refers to an improvised instrument usually made of bamboo and nets, similar but smaller than a trawl, that is used to gather ornamental shells like "Sigay" and also edible shells like "Sicad-sicad), etc. This instrument destroys growing corrals, seaweeds which is the common habitat of other edible marine products like octopus, small fishes, shrimps and crabs, etc.

"**SIGAY**" - common term for a kind of edible and ornamental shell commercially used in many decorative crafts, necklace, vases, etc.

"**SICAD-SICAD**" - a common edible and nutritious species of shells which abound in Bolabog portion of Boracay and also in the Poblacion in Malay. Its empty shell is also used as decoration in many crafts.

"**HONASAN**" - the dry or shallow portion of the shore during low tide where people can roam around and pick-up/gather edible marine products like shells, crabs, fishes, octopus, etc.

Be it ordained by the Sangguniang Bayan of Malay, Aklan in session assembled, that;

**SECTION 1. - ORDAINING CLAUSE.** The use of "Sodsod" in gathering shells and other marine products in the shores (Honasan) of Boracay and or within this Municipality is strictly prohibited.

**SECTION 2. - PENAL CLAUSE.** Anybody caught using this instrument in our area of responsibility will be fined TWO HUNDRED PESOS (₱200.00) on first offense and confiscation of his catch and "sodsod" plus another fine of THREE HUNDRED PESOS (₱300.00) on second and repeated offenses.

**SECTION 3. - Effectivity.** This ordinance shall take effect after proper publication in our area of concern.

**ENACTED AND APPROVED.** DECEMBER 28, 1996.

CERTIFIED TRUE COPY:

**CONCORDIA S. ALCANTARA**  
Secretary to the Sangguniang Bayan

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