

AMENDMENT OF MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2 SERIES OF 1993 RE ACCREDITATION OF PLANT NURSERY OPERATORS

DA MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 6, October 27, 1994

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Criteria for Accreditation

1. The Nursery Operator shall preferably be a member of farmers organization or association or cooperative;
2. Applicant must be the nursery operator or manager;
3. Nurseries to be accredited must have operated for at least 6 months prior to application.
4. Applicant must have undergone training on nursery establishment and management and principles on plant propagation and orchard management.

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Requirements

1. Must have a business permit from the municipal government where the nursery to be accredited is located and must have a certificate of registration from the Department of Trade and Industry;
2. Must submit list of candidate parent trees (CPT) as sources of propagative materials indicating locations, name of owner. The CPT shall be evaluated/registered by BPI Technical Group;
3. Must have stock inventory of plants with minimum value of P50,000.00 during evaluation period;
4. Must have an established foundation scion groves at least 1/4 hectares as sources of plant propagules (scion);
5. Must observe nursery management practices.
6. Must put placard/signboard indicating the name of the establishment; name of operator/manager; accreditation number and list of product lines;
7. Shall be required to tag their plants for sale with proper labeling as to the scion strains/variety and date planted/propagated.
8. Must have the following:
 - Water source
 - Storage for chemicals, fertilizer and other nursery supplies
 - Propagating equipment or supplies.
 - Record of stock/inventory

C

Policies

1. Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) shall be responsible for accreditation of nursery operators;

2. Regional Field Units (RFUs) shall designate the regional Seed Coordinator or Research Outreach Station (ROS) station manager to evaluate applicants in the region for the accreditation by BPI;
3. BPI representative shall conduct on the spot regular inspection thereafter the period of accreditation;
4. The BPI will cancel accreditation in case during evaluation/monitoring, the nursery operator is not following requirements. However, appropriate notice would be issued prior to cancellation.
5. All accreditation certificates shall be valid only for two (2) years.
6. An application fee of P100.00 shall be charged per applicant which shall be deposited under the Account # 010840242-3.

This Circular shall take effect immediately and supersedes all other Orders inconsistent herewith.

Adopted: 27 Oct. 1994

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