

IMPLEMENTING RULES AND REGULATIONS OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER AHS-2008-14 ON THE GUIDELINES IN THE REGISTRATION OF LOW SPEED VEHICLES

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Pursuant to Batas Pambansa Bilang 43 and 74, Republic Act 4136 (Land Transportation and Traffic Code), Republic Act 8794 (MVUC Law), Administrative Order Number 3, and Administrative Order No. 91-005, the following rules and regulations for the registration of Low Speed Vehicles (LSV) are hereby promulgated for the observance of all concerned:

The following terms shall carry the meanings:

- Low Speed Vehicles (LSV) - 4-wheeled motor vehicles (limited to motor vehicles that are eligible for LTO registration), excluding trucks and buses, which use alternative fuels like electricity and whose maximum speed capability is not more than kilometers per hour (25 miles per hour).
- Provincial Roads - these are roads that connect cities and municipalities without traversing national roads; roads that connect national roads to barangays through rural areas; and roads that connect to major provincial government infrastructure.
- Municipal and City Roads. These are roads within the poblacion; roads that connect to provincial and national roads; and roads that provide inter-barangay connections major municipal and city infrastructure without traversing provincial roads.
- Barangay Roads. These roads refer to other public roads within the barangay.
- Central Business District. The business and commercial "core" of a municipality also known as "Downtown."

Classification of Low Speed Vehicle

Low Speed Vehicle (LSV) shall be classified private, for-hire, or government and sub-classified with the appropriate denomination, depending on the LSV's configuration, such as cars, UV, SUV, or MC.

Documentary Requirements

LSV should be reported first by its manufacturer, assembler, importer, and or dealer to the LTO as stock prior to its registration. All documents necessary for stock reporting or for registration that are applicable to LSV shall be required. However, a CCES shall no longer be required if LSV is powered solely by electric motor.

Rate of Motor Vehicle User's Charge

The collectible motor vehicle user's charge (MVUC) for the LSV shall be the corresponding rate for its GVW as prescribed under R.A. 8794 or the MVUC law.

Inspection

LSV is subject to roadworthiness inspection of the Motor Vehicle Inspection Station (MVIS) of the Land Transportation Office (LTO) and smoke emission testing prior to registration. However, LSV that is powered solely by electric motor is exempted from smoke emission testing until such time that emission standards for electric powered vehicles are made available.

Plates and Stickers Assignment

Orange plates and stickers shall be issued for private LSV while yellow plates and orange stickers shall be issued to for-hire LSV.

Coverage and Restriction of Operation

LSV can only operate within the CENTRAL BUSINESS DISTRICT, along municipal, city, or barangay roads. LSV can pass the main thoroughfares, highways or national road ONLY for purposes of crossing when the provincial or municipal/city, or barangay road is divided by a highway, main thoroughfares, or the national road. Provided, however, that the LSV shall yield the right of way to all oncoming traffic that constitute an immediate hazard, or if the main thoroughfares, highways, or national road has been designated and posted as open for travel by LSV by concerned government agencies.

Effectivity

These implementing rules and regulations shall take effect fifteen (15) days after Publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

All orders or memoranda that are inconsistent herewith are hereby superseded.

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