

INITIAL REGISTRATION SCHEME FOR BRAND NEW MOTOR VEHICLES VALID FOR THREE (3) YEARS

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WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4 (d) [1], Article III, Chapter I of Republic Act No. 4136, as amended, the Assistant Secretary, with the approval of the Secretary of Transportation and Communications, shall have the power to issue rules and regulations prescribing the procedure for the registration of motor vehicles; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 5 of Batas Pambansa Bilang 74, all motor vehicles and trailers of any type used or operated on or upon any highway of the Philippines, "shall be registered with the Bureau of Land Transportation (now the LTO or Land Transportation Office) for the current year, and that the dates of annual registration of motor vehicles shall be based on a registration scheme to be prepared by the Bureau of Land Transportation (now the LTO) subject to the approval of the Minister (now the Secretary) of Transportation and Communications".

NOW, THEREFORE, and in pursuance thereto, it is hereby ordered that the initial registration of all brand new motor vehicles, as defined herein, shall be valid and effective for three (3) years from its first registration. Such initial registration shall require the Certificate of Conformity (COC), issued by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), and the Compulsory Third Party Liability insurance policy valid for three (3) years.

1.0 Coverage

1.1 Brand new motor vehicles (MVs) - refer to new and unregistered motor vehicles manufactured, assembled, imported, distributed and/or sold by corporations or companies accredited by or member/s of the following, to wit:

- a. CAMPI - Chamber of Automotive Manufacturers of the Philippines, Inc.
- b. TMA - Truck Manufacturers Association
- c. MDPPA - Motorcycle Development Program Participants Association

1.2 Brand new motor vehicles imported by other LTO accredited entities.

1.3 These exclude backyard - assembled and imported used motor vehicles.

1.4 Motorcycles with engine displacement of 200 cc and below are likewise excluded in this Order.

2.0 Registration Rate - The rates of the Motor Vehicle User's Charge as set forth and imposed under Republic Act No. 8794 shall be collected from the owner of the covered motor vehicles for the registration of the said units.

3.0 Apprehension/s

3.1 Should the covered motor vehicle be apprehended within the period of its initial three-year registration for violation/s attributable to the motor vehicle, e.g. smoke belching or non-roadworthiness, the motor vehicle

shall still be required to undergo the accessory penalty or penalties of passing the Motor Vehicle Inspection and/or Emission Tests.

4.0 Repealing Clause

4.1 Any memoranda or orders thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Administrative Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

5.0 Effectivity

5.1 This order shall take effect ninety (90) days after its publication in two (2) newspaper of general circulation in the Philippines or filing of three (3) copies thereof with the University of the Philippines Law Center.

Adopted: 03 Jan. 2005

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