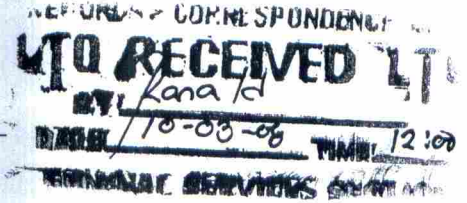
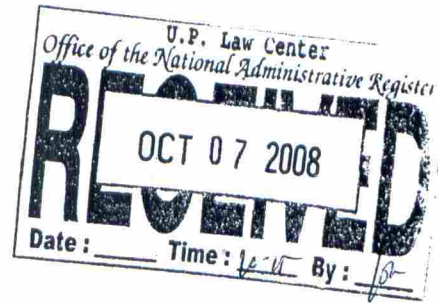




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MEMORANDUM ORDER NO. AHS-2008-01

30 September 2008

Subject: **Revised rules and regulations for the use and operation of motorcycles on highways**

After a series of public consultations with stakeholders the following revisions of Administrative Order No. AHS-2008-15 are hereby promulgated for the observance of all concerned:

1. A licensed operator of a motorcycle or scooter shall be referred to as "rider."
 2. Horn, brake, side mirror, headlight and turn signals are not accessories but are basic and vital parts of a motorcycle or scooter.
 3. Section VI of AHS-2008-15 shall read thus:

"Sec. VI. Only one (1) back rider shall be allowed on a motorcycle or scooter who must be provided with a seat and foot rest.

The motorcycle or scooter shall not carry a cargo, the width of which is more than 2 ft. from the side of the motorcycle and the height shall not be higher than the height of the rider when seated on the motorcycle.
 4. The aforecited provision allowing only one back rider shall be mandatory only along national and highly urbanized city roads while awaiting the result of the study on its applicability along municipal and barangay roads, based on the classification of roads and travel demand.
 5. Section XI a) of AHS-2008-15 shall read thus:

"Sec. XI a) For failure of rider and /or back rider to wear helmet, a fine of One Thousand Five Hundred Pesos (P1,500.00) with accessory penalty of driver/rider attending a seminar on traffic safety management to be conducted by the LTO."
 6. There shall be a five-year moratorium imposed on the mandatory use of prescribed standard helmet effective September 30, 2008.
 7. Implementation of paragraph 3, Section 8 of AO No. AHS-2008-015 requiring prior approval of the LTO and the DTI in modifying original standard design of a motorcycle or scooter is hereby suspended, together with Section 11d thereof.
 8. Wearing ordinary closed shoes while operating motorcycle shall not be penalized.
 9. All previous orders and issuances inconsistent herewith are deemed revoked and superseded.
- For guidance and strict compliance.

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