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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO :** All Regional Directors, Assistant Regional Directors,  
 Heads, District Offices/Licensing Centers,  
 LTO Accredited Physicians,  
 All concerned

**SUBJECT :** ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. VPT-2012-022,  
 AMENDING SECTION 1.3 AND SECTION IV.2 OF  
 ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. RIB-2007-012  
 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED RULES AND  
 REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SUPERVISION AND  
 CONTROL OVER ACCREDITED PHYSICIANS

**DATE :** 25 October 2012

With the approval of the Administrative Order No. VPT-2012-022, Sections 1.3 and IV.2 of Administrative Order No. RIB-2007-012, are amended as follows:

“Section I. Definition of Terms – For purposes of this Order, the following terms as used herein mean as follows:

x x x

“3. Clinic – refers to a place where medical examination of drivers/conductors applying for license is being conducted. It shall have an area of at least 10 square meters in area and located at least within 100-200 meter-radius from the LTO Licensing Office. The clinic shall have at least the following medical equipments: a computer based Visual/Hearing Screening Test/Equipment with a web-based biometric verification system capable of being integrated with the LTO-IT System, Snellen’s chart, Ishihara plate, blood pressure apparatus, height and weighing scale and awaiting area for applicants.”

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“Section IV. Duties and Responsibilities of an Accredited Physician

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"2. The accredited physician shall issue the medical certificate on the prescribed form only to the applicant whom he has examined personally. The minimum requirements that need to be incorporated to the revised medical certificate, which includes the digital photograph of the applicant as well as the biometric finger scan of the accredited and examining physician, is hereto attached and made as integral part of this Administrative Order."

Henceforth, accredited physicians of the LTO are required to strictly comply with the above requirements by securing a computer based Visual/Hearing Screening Test/Equipment described-above which produces the revised medical certificate in the required form which includes the digital photograph of the applicant as well as the biometric finger scan of the accredited and examining physician, and further the revised medical certificate should only be accepted in the processing of driver's licence.

For your immediate implementation and strict compliance,

  
**VIRGINIA P. TORRES**  
Assistant Secretary

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. VP1-2012- 022

SUBJECT: AMENDING SECTION I.3 AND SECTION IV.2 OF ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. RIB-2007-012 OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE REVISED RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE SUPERVISION AND CONTROL OVER ACCREDITED PHYSICIANS

WHEREAS, under Section 22, RA 4136, otherwise known as the Land Transportation and Traffic Code, as amended by Batas Pambansa Bilang 398, it provides that, in the application for driver's license, *"(t)he Director (now the LTO Chief) or his deputies shall also ascertain that the applicant's health, sight and hearing are sound and normal, and is physically and mentally fit to operate motor vehicles. To this end, the Director or his deputies shall require a certificate to that effect, signed by a reputable accredited physician"*. It added that *"(a)n examination, theoretical and practical, to determine every applicant's ability and fitness to operate motor vehicles to be conducted by the Director in such form and manner as he shall prescribe shall also be required"*;

WHEREAS, the LTO accredited physicians plays a significant, if not, an indispensable role in properly screening applicants for driver's license considering the close association of road safety and clear vision and hearing;

WHEREAS, it is a perennial problem reaching the LTO Head Office the practice of several erring physicians of issuing pre-signed medical certificate forms or the issuance thereof without personally examining the applicant;

WHEREAS, in order to address this problem permanently a Resolution dated April 9, 2011 was adopted by the LTO Accredited Physicians National Organization, Inc., a non-governmental entity, by proposing at their own expense and initiative a standardized LTO Medical Examination using the computer-based Visual/Hearing Screening Test/Equipment accredited by the Department of Health with web-based

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biometric verification system capable of being integrated with the LTO-II System. Included therein is the digital photograph of the applicant as well as the biometric finger scan of the accredited physician in the prescribed medical certificate form;

WHEREAS, during the EXECOM meeting held on July 14, 2011, a standardized form of medical examination for drivers/conductors license applicants was presented by the use of a computerized Visual/Hearing Screening Test/Equipment accredited by the Department of Health with web based biometric verification system capable of being integrated with the LTO-II System, Snellen's chart, Ishihara plate, blood pressure apparatus, height and weighing scale and awaiting area for applicants" and accordingly, such enhancement is acceptable as long as the medical examination fee will not increase;

WHEREAS, it is provided in Administrative Order No. RIR 2007-012, otherwise known as the "Revised Rules and Regulations Governing the Supervision and Control Over Accredited Physician" the minimum medical equipments (Section I.3) and the prescribed form containing the minimum requirements needed to be incorporated in the medical certificate (Section IV.2), and in order to conform with the standardization of the LTO medical examination, Sections I.3 and IV.2 must be amended

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, Sections I.3 and IV.2 are hereby amended to read as follows:

"Section I. Definition of Terms - For purposes of this Order, the following terms as used herein mean as follows:

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"3. Clinic - refers to a place where medical examination of drivers/conductors applying for license is being conducted. It shall have an area of at least 10 square meters in area and located at least within 100-200 meter radius from the LTO Licensing Office. The clinic shall have at least the following medical equipments: a computer based Visual/Hearing Screening Test/Equipment with a web-based biometric verification system capable of being integrated with the LTO-II System, Snellen's chart, Ishihara plate, blood pressure apparatus, height and weighing scale and awaiting area for applicants."

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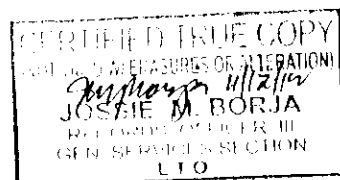
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This Administrative Order shall take effect upon approval by the Secretary of the Department of Transportation and Communication.

  
VIRGINIA P. TORRES )  
Assistant Secretary



APPROVED:

  
ATTY. RAFAEL ANTONIO M. SANTOS  
Acting Secretary  
Department of Transportation and Communications

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