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DA Administrative Circular

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Subject: **Plant Quarantine Service Regulatory Fees**

WHEREAS, Section 54 (1), Chapter 12, Book IV of Executive Order No. 292 provides that heads of bureaus, offices or agencies upon approval of the concerned department head, have the continuing authority to revise their rates of fees and charges;

WHEREAS, Administrative Order No. 31, Series of 2012 issued by the Office of the President has directed all heads of Departments, Bureaus, Commissions, Agencies, Offices and Instrumentalities of the National Government, including government owned and/or controlled corporations (GOCCs), to rationalize the rates of their fees and charges, increase their existing rates and impose new fees and charges.

WHEREAS, the BPI Plant Quarantine Service (BPI PQS) in the exercise of its mandate is using government resources on the following activities, namely: Plant Pest Surveillance Network, Agricultural Commodity Treatments, Plant Quarantine Permits and Clearances, Plant Health Certification Services, Accreditation and Registration Services and Technical Support and Information Services;

WHEREAS, BPI PQS shall impose reasonable fees for expenses in undertaking such regulatory functions;

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Department of Agriculture is authorized by Section 38 of *Executive Order 292* to promulgate rules and regulations governing the collection of nominal regulatory fees by the Plant Quarantine Service (PQS) for inspection, certification, commodity treatments and others on commodities mentioned under import of plants, plant products and potential animal pests as well as export of plant and plant products;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, PROCESO J. ALCALA, pursuant to provisions of pertinent laws do hereby promulgate this administrative circular as follows:

Section 1. The following fees in pesos shall be collected by the BPI for the issuance of Sanitary and Phytosanitary Import Clearance (SPSIC), Plant Quarantine Clearance (PQC) and other certificates:

ITEM	RATE
SPS IC for plants, planting materials, and plant products	Php 300/ document issued
Potential Animal Pest	Php 500.00/ document
Certificate of Non-Coverage (CNC)	Php 800 for registration and initial CNC issued; Php 300 for every request for additional commodity applied

Section 2. Plant Quarantine Regulatory Fees for Floriculture and Allied Industries

a. Export - Inspection and Issuance of Phytosanitary Certificate (PC)

Item	Rate (P)	Minimum per PC	Maximum per PC
1. Planting/ Propagation Materials			
a. Seeds, cuttings, rhizomes, bulbs, corms and scions	10.00 /kg	100.00	2000.00
b. Rooted cuttings, seedlings, graft and marcots	1.00 / pc	250.00	2,000.00
c. Flask and community pots	10.00/pot or flask	250.00	2,000.00
d. Other propagation materials	10.00/kg	250.00	2,000.00
2. Cutflowers and foliage	5.00/kg	250.00	2,000.00
3. Other live plants (full grown plants, etc)	10.00 / pc	250.00	2,000.00

b. Import - Inspection Fees

Item	Rate (P)	Minimum per document	Maximum per document
1. Planting/ Propagation Materials			
a. Seeds, cuttings, rhizomes, bulbs, corms and scions	5.00 /kg	500.00	2,500.00
b. Rooted cuttings, seedlings (4-6 in), graft and marcots	5.00 / pc	250.00	2,500.00
c. Flask and community pots	15.00/pot or flask	500.00	5,000.00
d. Other propagation materials	10.00/kg	500.00	5,000.00
2. Cutflowers and foliage	10.00/kg	500.00	5,000.00
3. Other live plants (full grown plants, etc)	50.00 / pc	500.00	10,000.00

3. Plant Quarantine Regulatory Fees for Plants and Plant Products not covered by Section 2.

a. Export - Inspection and Issuance of Phytosanitary Certificate (PC)

Item	Rate
1. Fresh fruits, vegetables, onion, garlic and other spices	4.00/ MT or fraction of a ton thereof

2. Seeds, cuttings, rhizomes, bulbs, corms, scions and other planting/propagating materials	5.00 / MT or fraction of a ton thereof
3. Living plants for shipment of ten (10) pcs or less in excess of 10 pcs, plus	10.00 1.00/pc
4. Other plant products and materials capable of harboring plant pests	5.00 per MT or fraction of a ton thereof
5. Potential Crop Pest a. Small Animals b. Small Insects and others	10.00/head 100.00/PC
6. Cultures of fungi, bacteria and the likes for scientific purposes	100.00/PC

b. Import - Inspection Fees

Item	Rate
1. Fresh fruits, vegetables, onion, garlic and other spices	20.00/MT or fraction of a ton thereof
2. Seeds, cuttings, rhizomes, bulbs, corms, scions and other planting/propagating materials	10.00/MT or fraction of a ton thereof
3. Living plants for shipment of ten (10) pcs or less in excess of 10 pcs, plus	20.00 2.00/pc
4. Grains and seeds for food and processing	10.00/MT or fraction of a ton thereof
5. Logs, lumber, timber, veneer and other wood products	10.00/MT or fraction of a ton thereof
6. Other plant products and materials capable of harboring plant pests	10.00/ MT or fraction of a ton thereof
7. Potential Crop Pest a. Small Animals b. Small Insects and others	20.00/head 200.00/PC
8. Cultures of fungi, bacteria and the likes for scientific purposes	200.00/PC

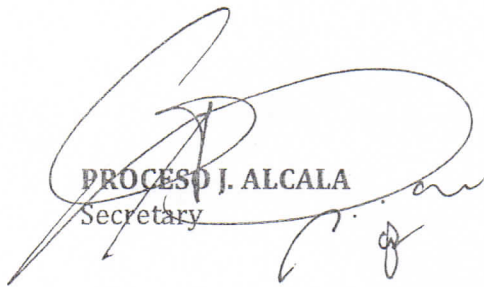
Section 4. Inclusion of Other Quarantine fees.

Item	Rate
1. Accreditation / Registration Fees	
- Importers and/or Exporter	5,000.00 including Php 1,000 application fee
- Treatment Provider	2,500.00
- Packing Facility Operator/ Owner	2,500.00
- Packing facility	200.00/ facility (exclusive of the license security plate)
- Renewal of Accreditation / Registration (Import and Export)	2,500.00
2. Cold Storage Facility	2,600.00
3. Domestic Permit To Transport fee	50.00/ document


4. Cancelled Phytosanitary Certificate	P 100.00/ document
5. GMO Detection	
a. Protein – based analysis	1,200.00/sample
b. DNA – based analysis	5,700.00/sample
6. Other Tests	
a. Pesticide Residue Analysis	P 5,250.00/ sample
b. Test for toxin-releasing microorganisms	(depends upon the testing agency)
c. Test for heavy metals	(depends upon the testing agency)

Section 4. This Order revises DA Administrative Orders No. 12 and 26, Series of 2004 and supersedes other orders inconsistent herewith.

Section 5. This Order shall take effect after the required publication.



PROCESO J. ALCALA
Secretary

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