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Department Administrative Order
No. 3
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Subject: Mandatory Philippine National Standard

1. In accordance with the provisions of R.A. No. 4109, R.A. No. 7394, Executive Order No. 913, Series of 1983, DAO No. 9, Series of 1990, DAO No. 1, Series of 1997, DAO No. 8, Series of 1995, Sec (4) Chapter 2, Book IV, of the Administrative Code of 1987 and other related rules and regulations, the mandatory implementation of PNS 47:1998/ISO 9994: 1995, Lighters - Safety Specification is hereby ordered, for the protection of consumers.
2. All manufacturers, distributors, importers and retailers of lighters shall comply with the requirements of PNS 47:1998/ISO 9994:1995.
3. A third party certification, known as the PS Quality Certification Mark, shall be obtained from the Bureau of Product Standards (BPS) by all manufacturers of said lighters. Importers of said lighters shall secure a commodity clearance from the BPS as a pre-requisite of import shipments released by the Bureau of Customs.
4. BPS shall promulgate implementing guidelines specifying implementing timetables, taking into consideration present inventory levels, production capabilities of industries, and testing capabilities of BPS and other testing institutions. When necessary, BPS may designate an appropriate competent organization to assist in various aspects of standards implementation work (such as product inspection, testing, market monitoring) for this product.
5. The implementation of this standard shall be done in coordination with the DTI Regional and Provincial Offices and the Bureau of Trade Regulation and Consumer Protection.
6. All other orders or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Administrative Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.
7. This Order takes effect fifteen (15) days after publication in two newspapers of general circulation.

Copy of said standard may be secured from the BPS Standards Data Center.

Date: 19 February 1999


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