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MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

No. 29
Series of 2023

SUBJECT : **REITERATION ON THE ISSUANCE OF THE BUREAU OF ANIMAL INDUSTRY (BAI) TEMPORARY ANIMAL FACILITY CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION**

WHEREAS, Sections 1, 2, and 3 of Republic Act (RA) No. 8485 otherwise known as the “Animal Welfare Act of 1998”, as amended by R.A. No. 10631, stated that no person, association, partnership, corporation, cooperative or any government agency or instrumentality including slaughterhouses shall establish, maintain and operate any animal facilities for the breeding, treatment, sale or trading, or training of animals without first securing from the Bureau of Animal Industry (BAI) a Certificate of Registration therefor;

WHEREAS, the registration standards, requirements, including the renewal and prescribed fees for all facilities are provided in Department of Agriculture (DA) - Administrative Circular (AC) No. 4 series of 2015, supplemented by BAI - Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 19, series of 2022 for the improved regulation of animal facilities;

WHEREAS, in line with RA 11032 or the “Ease of Doing Business and Efficient Government Service Delivery Act of 2018”, DA issued a Memorandum on March 4, 2020, which deputized the RFO Regional Executive Directors (REDs) to issue and sign the Animal Welfare Registration Certificate in their respective areas to facilitate the timely processing of applications for renewal;

WHEREAS, BAI Memorandum Order No. 02 dated January 19, 2021, further allowed the issuance of a temporary certification for Animal Welfare Registration with a three-month validity to applicants from the National Capital Region (NCR) with complete documentary requirements but with pending inspection or corrective actions to minor deficiencies;

NOW, THEREFORE, to ensure unhampered processing of Animal Facility Registration, the BAI or DA – Regional Field Offices (RFO) may issue a non-renewable, Temporary Animal Facility Certificate of Registration, with validity limited to only three (3) months, to an applicant who meets the following criteria:

1. No pending animal health and welfare-related complaints/violations;
2. With a complete set of documentary requirements and
3. Either of these conditions:
 - a. Facility is/ will be scheduled for inspection



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- b. The facility was inspected but with minor non-compliance findings; rectifiable before the expiration of the temporary certificate and would not pose any harm to the health and welfare of the animals in the facility.

This Circular is effective immediately and shall be enforced until revoked in writing. All circulars and memoranda inconsistent herewith are repealed and are likewise modified accordingly.

Done this 22nd day of May, 2023.

For strict compliance.


ARLENE ASTERIA V. VYTIACO, DVM
Officer-in-Charge, Bureau of Animal Industry



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