



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT
Intramuros, Manila



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**Transferring the Function of Accreditation of
OSH Practitioners and Accreditation and Performance Audit of Testing Organizations
for Construction Heavy Equipment
from the BWC and DOLE Regional Offices to the OSHC**

In line with the DOLE Program and pursuant to Article 168 of the Labor Code of the Philippines, this Order is hereby issued transferring the function of accreditation of all Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Practitioners and Accreditation and Performance Audit of Testing Organizations for Construction Heavy Equipment from the Bureau of Working Conditions (BWC) and DOLE Regional Offices (ROs) to the Occupational Safety and Health Center (OSHC)

Section 1. Coverage

The functions for transfer shall cover the evaluation, approval of application for accreditation and issuance of certificate of accreditation to OSH Practitioners and Testing Organization for Construction Heavy Equipment (CHE) in the Philippines

Section 2. Duties and Functions of the OSHC

The OSHC shall:

- a. Develop and issue the guidelines and manual of procedures on the accreditation of OSH Practitioners and Testing Organization for Construction Heavy Equipment (CHE);
- b. Enhance the capability of OSH Practitioners and Testing Organization for Construction Heavy Equipment (CHE) through advanced trainings and Occupational Safety and Health Management System (OSH-MS) approaches and other technical assistance;
- c. Monitor the performance of OSH Practitioners and Testing Organization for Construction Heavy Equipment (CHE) through periodic reports submitted to the OSHC and spot checks; and
- d. Issue a uniform and controlled certificate of accreditation to OSH Practitioners and Testing Organization for Construction Heavy Equipment (CHE).

Section 3. Duties and Functions of the BWC and the DOLE ROs

The BWC and the DOLE ROs shall:

- a. Ensure proper transfer and endorsement to OSHC of documents and manuals related to the accreditation process; and
- b. Provide the OSHC with the master file and all databases of and related to accredited OSH Practitioners and Testing Organization for Construction Heavy Equipment (CHE).

Section 4. Monitoring and Evaluation

The OSHC shall monitor the performance of OSH Practitioners and Testing Organization for Construction Heavy Equipment (CHE) and provide recommendations on improving their practices and services offered;

- a. Evaluate the performance and/or technical services provided by OSH Practitioners and Testing Organization for Construction Heavy Equipment (CHE); and
- b. Conduct survey of companies/ clients to evaluate companies'/clients' satisfaction in the performance of the OSH Practitioners and Testing Organization for Construction Heavy Equipment (CHE);

Section 5. Transitory Provisions

- a. All applications including renewals filed with the BWC and DOLE ROs prior to the effectivity of this Order shall be processed by the BWC/ concerned DOLE ROs and forwarded to the OSHC for final approval within one month from the effectivity of this Order;
- b. All other applications including renewals shall be filed with the OSHC from the effectivity of this Order; and
- c. This Order shall supersede all other issuances inconsistent herewith.

Section 6. Effectivity.

This Order shall take effect immediately.


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