

## MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

NO. 26

SUBJECT : Prescribing Guidelines for Qualifying and Special Examinations for Currently Employed Unlicensed Radio Operators or Persons Actually Operating Government-Owned Radio Stations.

Pursuant to Presidential Letter of Instruction No. 13-A dated Sept. 29, 1972 and the provisions of Act No. 3846, as amended, and with the end in view of professionalizing the operation of all radio stations in the country, the following guidelines for Qualifying and Special Examinations for currently employed unlicensed radio operators or persons actually operating government-owned radio stations are hereby prescribed:

**PART I**

| <u>Length of Service as Govt. Radio Operator</u> | <u>Type &amp; Class of Radio Operator/Exam. Elem. to be taken</u> | <u>Power &amp; Emission of Govt. Radio Stn. to be operated.</u>  |
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| 6 months to 1 year in Radiotelephony             | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Class Radiotelephone Elements I & II only         | Radiotelephone stations w/ power of not more than 50 watts   |
| Above 1 year to 5 years in Radiotelephony        | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Radiotelephone Elements I,II & III only     | Radiotelephone stations w/ power of not more than 200 watts  |
| -do-   | 1 <sup>st</sup> Class Radiotelephone Elements I, II, III & IV     | Radiotelephone stations w/ power above 50 watts  |
| Above 5 years to 10 years in Radiotelephony      | 1 <sup>st</sup> Class Radiotelephone Elements I & II only         | Radiotelephone stations w/ power above 50 watts  |
| Above 10 years in Radiotelephony                 | 1 <sup>st</sup> Class Radiotelephone Element I only               | Radiotelephone station w/ power above 50 watts   |
| 6 months to 1 year in Radiotelegraphy            | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Class Radiotelegraph Elements I, II & Code        | Radiotelephone and radiotelegraph stations with power of not more than 50 watts                            |
| Above 1 year to 5 years in Radiotelegraphy       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Radiotelegraph Elements I, II, VI & Code    | Radiotelephone and radiotelegraph stations w/ power of not more than 200 watts except broadcast stations   |
| Above 5 years to 10 years in Radiotelegraphy     | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Class Radiotelegraph Elements I, II & Code        | Radiotelephone and radiotelegraph stations with power of not more than 200 watts except broadcast stations |
| Above 10 years in Radiotelegraphy                | 1 <sup>st</sup> Class Radiotelegraph Elements I only              | Radiotelephone and radiotelegraph radio stations except broadcast stations                                 |

Radio Operators of government stations in the broadcast service must have the required length of experience in the broadcasting field as prescribed above to be eligible for the qualifying examinations.



An applicant for any of the above qualifying examinations must be a Filipino Citizen, at least a high school graduate, must be of good moral character and should be at least 18 years of age if taking the examination for radiotelephony and 21 years if radiotelegraphy.

The application using RCO Form A-E-ROL, shall be filed with the Radio Control Office, Quezon City, accompanied by two (2) copies of recent 2" x 2" ID photo and a duly certified Service Record or a Certification. Employment from the Government Agency where employed which shall include a statement of the length of experience in the operation of a government-owned radio station. The examination fees for the above examinations shall be as follows :

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| 1. First Class Radiotelephone or Radiotelegraph  | P 12.00 |
| 2. Second Class Radiotelephone or Radiotelegraph | 8.00    |
| 3. Third Class Radiotelegraph                    | 6.00    |
| 4. Third Class Radiotelephone                    | 3.00    |

An applicant who may qualify in any of the above examinations shall be entitled to the issuance by the Radio Control Office of the appropriate type and class of Commercial Radio Operator License upon payment of the required fee in accordance with the rates prescribed in Department Order No. 5, series of 1948.

## PART II

For those who may not want to avail themselves of the qualifying examinations prescribed in Part I hereof may apply for Special Examinations which will also be given by the Radio Control Office, covering pertinent radio laws and regulations as well as radio operating practices applicable to the radio stations of their agencies, to qualify them for the issuance of Special Radio Operator Permits. The Special Radio Operator Permits that may be issued under this paragraph are not valid to be used in the operation of radio stations other than those operated by their present agencies.

An applicant for the Special Examination must be a Filipino citizen, 18 years of age or over, at least a high school graduate, and must be of good moral character. The application for said examination using RCO Form A-E-SROP, shall be filed with the Radio Control Office; Quezon City, accompanied by an examination fee of P 3.00, two (2) copies of recent 2" x 2" ID photo and a duly certified Service Record or a Certification of Employment from the Government Agency where employed which shall include a statement to the effect that the applicant is operating the radio station of said government agency.

A permit fee of P 5.00 per annum or any fraction thereof shall be charged for the issuance of a Special Radio Operator Permit, renewable annually for the same fee.

Only those who are actually employed in the government service and performing the duties of radio operator, either by regular appointment or by designation, as of the date of issuance of this Circular are eligible to take the above Qualifying and Special examinations. Applications for said examinations shall be accompanied by proper recommendations of the agencies of applicants.

The qualifying and special examinations shall be conducted by the Radio Operator Examination Committee on such dates and in such places as may be designated by the Radio Control Office.



This Circular shall take effect immediately and, any order, circular, instruction or memorandum or any part thereof which is inconsistent herewith is deemed amended and/or superseded accordingly.

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