

**[ NTC MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 05-06-2008,  
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**AMENDING MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 11-09-2004  
(MANDATORY TAPING OF RADIO AND TELEVISION PROGRAMS)**

The National Telecommunications Commission (NTC) hereby prescribes the following rules and regulations on mandatory taping of radio and television programs, pursuant to its supervisory, adjudicatory and regulatory functions over radio and television broadcasting stations and cable television (CATV) stations as provided for under Act 3846, as amended, Order No. 546, series of 1979, and Executive Order No. 436, series of 1997.

*SECTION 1.* All radio and television stations shall tape and/or record their programs as specified hereunder:

- a. Talk Shows/Live Phone-in Calls e.g. Umagang Kay Ganda, Unang Hirit, Mel and Joey, Sharon, Palaban, Boy and Kris;
- b. Live Interviews/Public Affairs Programs/Public Service Programs e.g. Imbestigador, XXX, Saksi;
- c. News Analysis/Editorials/Commentaries/Documentaries e.g. TV Patrol World 24 Oras, Balitang Balita, Teledyaryo; and
- d. Magazine Types/Counseling Programs e.g. Probe, Pinoy Meets World, The Buzz.

*SECTION 2.* CATV stations which produce and/or air content/programs similar to those mentioned above shall likewise tape and/or record said programs.

*SECTION 3.* All radio, television and CATV stations shall retain the tape and/or recording and preserve them for a period often (10) days, unless a longer period is required by the Commission, as provided under Section 4 hereof.

*SECTION 4.* Any aggrieved party who has a complaint against any radio and/or television station or CATV station pertaining to any content and who intends to file an action before the regular courts and wishes to obtain a copy of the taped/recorded program, may file a written request with the NTC. The Commissioner or any duly designated NTC official may direct the concerned station to preserve the tape/recording for thirty (30) more days from receipt of the order, unless the circumstances warrant a longer period. Such tapes/recordings shall be made available to the aggrieved party or to any other person only upon order of the court.

*SECTION 5.* Non-compliance with and/or violation of this Circular shall warrant the imposition of penalties and sanctions, as follows: