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RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ACCREDITATION OF CALESAS PROVIDING TRANSPORT SERVICES TO TOURISTS

Pursuant to the Provisions of Executive Order No. 120 Dated January 30, 1987, the Following Rules and Regulations are Hereby Promulgated to Govern the Accreditation of Calesas Providing Transport Services to Tourists.

**CHAPTER I
Definition of Terms**

SECTION 1. Definition of Terms — When used in these Rules, unless the context otherwise indicates, the following terms shall mean as follows:

- a. "Calesa" is a horse-drawn carriage engaged in providing transport services, including sightseeing, to foreign or local tourists for a fee or any form of lawful compensation.
- b. "Department or "DOT" is the Department of Tourism.
- c. "Accreditation" is the certification issued by the Department officially recognizing the holder as having complied with the minimum standards and requirements prescribed by the Department for the operation and maintenance of a calesa.

**CHAPTER II
Minimum Requirements for Accreditation of Calesas**

SECTION 1. Minimum Requirements — For purposes of accreditation, the following are the minimum requirements for the operation and maintenance of a calesa:

- a. Physical appearance of the carriage:
 - The carriage shall be made of good quality materials and shall be of excellent workmanship.
 - It shall be neatly painted with a color/numeral markings duly prescribed/assigned by the Department.
 - It shall have a non-skid stepping board.
 - It shall be clean, well-maintained and provided with comfortable seats.
- b. Horse — The horse shall be in good physical condition.
- c. Roadworthiness — The calesa shall be fit for operation on all public thoroughfares.

- d. Seating capacity — The calesa shall have a maximum load of two (2) passengers.
- e. First-Aid Kit — The calesa shall have a first-aid kit.
- f. Horse Waste Receptacle — Every calesa shall have a horse waste receptacle at the rear end of the horse below the tail.
- g. Calesa Driver — The driver shall be trained, well-groomed, courteous and shall wear the prescribed uniform and DOT ID at all times during actual operating hours and shall provide service that is safe, comfortable and convenient as possible. Moreover, they shall look after the welfare of their respective horses.
- h. Routes —
 - The calesa shall serve routes which are considered tourist zone/belt areas and shall not disrupt the normal flow of traffic.
 - The service shall be limited to the boundary of the city or municipality issuing the pertinent mayor's permit or municipal license.
- i. Fares — The calesa driver shall charge only such fares for his services as may be approved or fixed by any competent government agency.

CHAPTER III

Application for Accreditation

SECTION 1. Who May Apply — A resident Filipino citizen who is at least eighteen (18) years of age, physically and mentally fit and of good moral character may apply for accreditation.

SECTION 2. Documents Required to Support Application for Accreditation to Operate a Calesa Providing Transport Services to Tourists — The application for accreditation shall be accompanied by the following documents:

- a. Appropriate mayor's permit and/or municipal license;
- b. Proof that the driver has passed a seminar for calesa driver conducted by the Department or any organization duly authorized by the Department;
- c. Police clearance and/or barangay clearance;
- d. Certificate of good health issued by a duly licensed physician and veterinarian for the calesa driver and horse, respectively; and
- e. Other documents that the Department may require from time to time.

CHAPTER IV

Issuance of Accreditation

SECTION 1. *Issuance of Certificate of Accreditation and Department Sticker* — If the applicant has satisfactorily complied with the minimum standards and the