

**[DTI DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.
8, September 17, 1996]**

MANDATORY PHILIPPINE NATIONAL STANDARDS

1. In accordance with the provision of R.A. No. 4109, R.A. No. 7394, Executive Order No. 913, series of 1983, Letter of Instruction No. 1208, DAO No. 9, series of 1990, DAO No. 4, series of 1994, DAO NO. 8, series of 1995, Sec. (4), Chapter 2, Book IV of the 1987 Administrative Code and other related rules and regulations, the mandatory implementation of the following standards are hereby ordered, for the protection of consumers.

1.1 PNS 1408-2:1996/ISO 8124-2:1994 - Safety of Toys — Part 2: Flammability

1.2 PNS 1408-3:1996/BS EN 71:1995 Part 3: 1995 — Safety of Toys Part 3: Migration of Certain Elements - Specification

2. All manufacturers, distributors, importers and retailers of toys shall comply with the requirements of these standards.

3. A third party certification, known as the PS Quality Certification Mark, shall be obtained from the Bureau of Product Standards (BPS) by all manufacturers of said products. Importers of these products shall secure a commodity clearance from the BPS as a pre-requisite of import shipment release by the Bureau of Customs.

4. BPS shall promulgate implementing guidelines specifying implementing timetables, taking into consideration present inventory levels, production capabilities of industries, and testing capabilities of BPS and other testing institutions. When necessary, BPS may designate an appropriate competent organization to assist in various aspects of standards implementation work (such as product inspection, testing, market monitoring) for these products.

5. The implementation of these standards shall be done in coordination with the DTI Regional and Provisional Offices and the Bureau of Trade Regulation and Consumer Protection.

6. All other orders or parts thereof which are inconsistent with the provisions of this Administrative Order are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

7. This Order takes effect fifteen (15) days after publication in two newspapers of general circulation.

Adopted: 17 Sept. 1996