

**[DTI DEPARTMENT ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO.
4, June 19, 1992]**

MANDATORY PHILIPPINE NATIONAL STANDARD

1. In accordance with the provisions of Section 10(4) Title X, Book IV of the Administrative Code of 1987 and of R.A. No. 4109, the implementation of PNS 196-1992^[*] (Plywood — Specification) as a mandatory standard is hereby ordered, for the protection of consumers.

This Order shall also cover all future changes in the standard whether in the form of revisions or amendments.

2. All manufacturers, distributors, importers and retailers of plywood shall comply with the requirements of PNS 196-1992.

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 plywood. Importers of plywood 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 such as product inspection, testing and market monitoring.

5. The implementation of this standard shall be done in coordination with the DTI Regional and Provincial Offices and the Bureau of Trade Regulation and Consumer Protection.

This Order shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

Adopted: 19 June 1992

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^[*] Copies of PNS 196-1992 may be secured from Bureau of Product Standards or the DTI Regional/Provincial Offices.
