

**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2008 - 01**  
**January 18, 2008**

**T O : PRESIDENTS AND DEANS OF SCHOOLS, COLLEGES AND  
UNIVERSITIES OFFERING NURSING COURSE**

**SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION ON THE EARLY DEADLINE IN FILING  
APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 2008 NURSES LICENSURE  
EXAMINATIONS (NLE)**

The Commission earlier issued Memorandum Circular No. 2007 – 15 dated November 29, 2007 on the early deadline in filing applications for Year 2008 Nurses Licensure Examination.

The schedules of the Nurses Licensure Examination for year 2008 and the revised deadline in filing applications are as follows:

<b>Examination Dates</b>	<b>Deadline</b>	<b>No. of Days before Exam</b>
<b>June 1 and 2, 2008 Sunday &amp; Monday</b>	<b>April 18, 2008 Friday</b>	<b>43 days</b>
<b>November 29 and 30, 2008 Saturday and Sunday</b>	<b>October 17, 2008 Friday</b>	<b>43 days</b>

We reiterate that the Commission is expecting 80,000 to 100,000 or more examinees starting year 2008. With this increasing number of examinees, the 20 to 30 day-deadline, which we had for 15,000 to 30,000 examinees in previous years, is now very short for the Commission to complete all post-application activities such as batching of processed applications, encoding of applicants' data, editing of proof lists, review of applications, sorting and alphabetizing of permanent examination and registration record cards (PERRCs), matching of PERRCs against the Lists of Examinees by Rooms, and posting of Lists of Examinees, and pre-examination activities such as the final list of schools/buildings/rooms and examination forms to be used in the printing of test booklets. Quarantine period for security printing is usually two (2) weeks before examination dates, and which may still be longer if there will be more than 80,000 examinees.

Some schools and other stakeholders have interpreted the earlier Memorandum Circular as "graduates of March or April 2008 will not be admitted in the June 2008 NLE and those in October 2008 will not be admitted in the November 2008 NLE". Text messages are also going around that there will be no NLE in June. These interpretations/text messages are not true.

For clarification, graduates of March or April 2008 will be accepted in the June 2008 examination, provided, they will be able to submit, at the time of filing application on or before the deadline, all the documentary requirements, i.e. Transcript of records with scanned picture and remarks "For Board Examination Purposes Only", Birth Certificate in NSO security paper, Notarized/Sworn Summary of Related Learning Experience and OR/DR cases. Those with incomplete documents will NOT be admitted in the June 2008 examination. They are advised to apply early for the November 2008 examination. Likewise, graduates of October 2008 may apply for the November 2008 NLE, if they have the complete documents at the time of filing applications on or before the deadline. If not, they are also advised to apply early for the June 2009 NLE.

**The Commission will strictly observe the deadline in filing applications starting with the examinations in 2008.**

For your information and guidance.

**(signed)**  
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