

### Republic of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission Manila



#### PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD FOR CUSTOMS BROKERS

# REVISED PROGRAM OF THE CUSTOMS BROKERS LICENSURE EXAMINATION TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 8 AND 9, 2023 IN THE CITIES OF NCR, CEBU, AND DAVAO

DATE AND TIME	SUBJECTS	WEIGHT
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2023		
7:00 A.M. – 7:45 A.M	GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS AND FILLING-OUT OF FORMS	
8:00 A.M. – 11:00 A.M.	CUSTOMS LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, ETHICS AND CUSTOMS BROKER PRACTICES	25%
1:00 P.M 4:00 P.M.	CUSTOMS DOCUMENTATIONS, CLEARANCE AND PROCEDURES	25%
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2023		
8:00 A.M 11:00 A.M.	TARIFF LAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND INTERNATIONAL TRADE	25%
1:00 P.M. – 1:40 P.M.	TARIFF CLASSIFICATION	0=0/
1:40 P.M. – 4:00 P.M	PRACTICAL COMPUTATIONS	25%
	TOTAL	100%

#### **GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

- 1. Check or verify your school/building assignment at the PRC official website (www.prc.gov.ph) or through the Notices/Announcements to be posted at the PRC premises two (2) to three (3) working days before the date of the examination. Bring your NOTICE OF ADMISSION when you verify your school/building assignment. Visit your school/building assignment prior to the day of the examination.
- 2. Report to the school/building assignment before 5:30 A.M. on the first day of examination to verify your room and seat number. Be punctual. Late examinees will not be admitted.

3. Examinees are required to wear the following attire every examination day:

Male Examinees Tucked-in white polo shirt with collar (without any seal,

logo or mark), decent pants or slacks

Female Examinees Tucked-in white blouse or shirts with collar (without any

seal, logo or mark), decent pants, slacks or skirt, pony-tailed

long hair

- 4. Bring the following on the examination day:
  - a. Notice of Admission
  - b. Official Receipt
  - c. Two (2) or more pencils (No. 2)d. Pens with <u>BLACK</u> ink only

  - e. One (1) piece Long Brown Envelope
  - f. One (1) piece Long Transparent (non-colored) Plastic Envelope (for keeping your valuables and other allowed items)
- 5. The following items are strictly **PROHIBITED** inside the examination premises/rooms:
  - a. Books, notes, review materials, and other printed materials containing coded data/information/formula
  - b. CALCULATORS which are programmable or with embedded functions especially CASIO FX991ES and CASIO FX-991ES plus
  - c. APPLE, SAMSUNG AND OTHER SMART WATCHES, CELLULAR PHONES, EAR PLUGS, BLUETOOTH, TRANSMITTTERS, PORTABLE COMPUTERS, AND OTHER ELECTRONIC GADGETS/DEVICES WHICH MAY BE USED TO STORE OR RETRIEVE DATA/INFORMATION AND/OR TO COMMUNICATE FOR WHATEVER PURPOSE
  - d. Bags of any kind (place your documents inside the transparent/plastic envelope)
  - e. Other examination aides not stated in this program

All personal belongings of the examinees shall be surrendered to the proctor and shall be placed in a secured space within the examination room.

The rules on the conduct of bodily search, an inspection of personal belongings of the examinees, and the seizure/confiscation of prohibited items during the licensure exam (Annex A of PRC Memorandum Order No. 57, s. 2020) shall be strictly observed.

#### NOTE: ONLY ONE (1) BASIC CALCULATOR SHALL BE ALLOWED INSIDE THE EXAMINATION ROOM. CALCULATORS SHALL BE INSPECTED. PRC WILL NOT BE HELD LIABLE TO ANY ITEMS THAT WILL BE LOST.

- 6. Joint Administrative Order No. 01 (s. 2022)<sup>1</sup>, the following precautionary measures and protocols shall be observed and implemented during the conduct of licensure examination such as, but not limited to:
  - 6.1. All examinees and examination personnel shall enforce the following precautionary measures among themselves:
    - 6.1.1. Limit their travel to a semi-bubble set up of home-testing venue-home

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> PRC, DOH, DILG, and PNP JAO, entitled "Revised Guidelines on the Observance of Protocols for Minimum Public Health Standards and Institutionalization of Health Settings in the Conduct of Licensure Examinations during State of Public Health Emergencies"

- 6.1.2. Observe physical distancing of at least one (1) meter between and among examinees.
- 6.1.3. Restrict examinees to their assigned seat;
- 6.1.4. Wear a well-fitted face mask at all times;
- 6.1.5. Bring 70% ethyl alcohol for hand disinfection;
- 6.1.6. Avoid close contacts (e.g., "beso-beso", hugging, handshakes), and similar activities which directly involve touching of other persons;
- 6.1.7. Avoid touching one's eyes, nose, and mouth;
- 6.1.8. Observe cough and respiratory etiquette at all times; and
- 6.1.9. Avoid spitting in public, on floors, and corridors.
- 6.2. Examinees and examination personnel shall bring their own meals (pre-packed meal/snack and drink) to be eaten during breaks, on their assigned seats. Face masks and face shields (if applicable) will only be removed when taking meals or drinks.
- 6.3. Examinees shall bring their own pens, pencils, and erasers. Borrowing from a seatmate is strictly not allowed.
- 6.4. Loitering and unnecessary conversing in the hallways or in the examination room are strictly not allowed.
- 6.5. Physical distancing shall be strictly observed in the queuing of the examinees entering the testing venues;
- 6.6. Examinees shall proceed immediately to their designated examination rooms after the screening.
- 6.7. During the examination proper, the following shall be strictly observed:
  - a. Room watchers/proctors and examinees shall be advised to observe and maintain the Minimum Public Health Standards (MPHS), at all times, within the examination rooms, particularly when examinees submit their answer sheets and test booklets/questionnaires. Only one examinee at a time shall be accommodated;
  - b. Any examinee who needs to use the restroom shall be accompanied by a room watcher/proctor, while always observing and maintaining MPHS. Only one examinee at a time shall be allowed to go to the restroom. Proper hand hygiene shall be observed particularly every after use of the restrooms; and
  - c. Protective facemasks and handkerchiefs/tissue shall be inspected by room watchers/proctors before the start of every subject and, if necessary, during the conduct of examination to ensure that they are not used to conceal codigos. In compliance with the MPHS, the inspection shall be done one at a time, while the rest of the examinees are seated.
- 7. In addition to the above, the examinees are required to submit a copy of the proof of full vaccination (1 or 2 doses depending on the vaccine received plus booster or based on the latest definition of "Fully Vaccinated"), RT-PCR test for those who are not fully vaccinated, or Certificate of Completion of Isolation, as the case may be, to the proctor on examination day.

If the examinee recently contracted COVID-19, a Certificate of Completion of Isolation or its equivalent signed by any of the following must be submitted:

- 1. Duly licensed Physician (government or private physician);
- 2. Municipal Health Officer, Provincial Health Officer or City Health Officer;
- Designated Barangay Health Emergency Response Team (BHERTs) Officer or Barangay Health Worker visiting the residence of the examinee or examination personnel.

Examinees coming from other countries are required to quarantine following the latest quarantine and isolation protocols and guidelines, in and around the time of examination.

- 8. For detailed information, please refer to JAO 01 (s 2022) (copy attached).
- 9. **"NO OPEN BOOKS IN ALL SUBJECTS"** except in **Tariff Classification ONLY.**The use of the ASEAN HARMONIZED TARIFF NOMENCLATURE (AHTN) 2022 is allowed. The AHTN books should be free from any markings and shall be subjected to thorough inspection.

## ONLY PHOTOCOPIES OF AHTN 2022 FROM TARIFF COMMISSION (TC) WITH THE FOLLOWING FEATURES ARE ALLOWED:

- 1. TC Official dry seal on top of control number on the first page
- 2. All pages are stamped with "Tariff Commission Library" and "For CBLE purposes only"
- 3. Authenticated books will be soft bound instead of ring bound for security purposes
- 10. After answering the Tariff Classification, examinees shall surrender the AHTN Book before proceeding to the Practical Computations.
- 11. Read carefully and follow the instructions on your **NOTICE OF ADMISSION** and **EXAMINEES GUIDE**.

NOTE: PERSONAL BELONGINGS BROUGHT BY AN EXAMINEE SHALL BE FOR HIS/HER OWN ACCOUNT. THE PRC WILL NOT BE ANSWERABLE FOR ANY SUCH ITEM OR PERSONAL BELONGING THAT MIGHT BE LOST DURING THE EXAM WITHOUT FAULT OR NEGLIGENCE ON ITS PART.

THIS SUPERSEDES THE PROGRAM OF THE LICENSURE EXAMINATIONFOR CUSTOMS BROKERS DATED JULY 6, 2023.

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