



Republic of the Philippines
Professional Regulation Commission
Manila



PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

Resolution No. 06
Series of 2020

**OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR PROFESSIONAL MECHANICAL ENGINEERS,
REGISTERED MECHANICAL ENGINEERS AND CERTIFIED PLANT MECHANIC
DURING THE TRANSITION PERIOD PURSUANT TO COMMISSION RESOLUTION NO.
2019-1146 (s. 2019), ENTITLED “AMENDING RELEVANT PROVISIONS OF
RESOLUTION NO. 1032 (s. 2017), OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE IMPLEMENTING
RULES AND REGULATIONS (IRR) OF REPUBLIC ACT NO. 10912, KNOWN AS THE
CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT (CPD) ACT OF 2016”**

WHEREAS, Republic Act (R.A.) No. 10912 was enacted to promote and upgrade the practice of the professions in the country and institute measures that will continuously improve the competence of the professionals in accordance with the international standards of professional practice, thereby, ensuring their contribution in uplifting the general welfare, economic growth and development of the nation;

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) issued Resolution No. 2019-1146 (s. 2019), entitled “Amending Relevant Provisions of Resolution No. 1032 (s. 2017), otherwise known as the Implementing Rules and Regulations (IRR) of Republic Act No. 10912, known as the Continuing Professional Development Act (CPD) of 2016”, which provides for a **Transition Period** in order to develop the necessary standards, processes, capacity, and infrastructure while minimizing the cost and inconvenience to concerned professionals;

WHEREAS, in order to conform with the provisions of said Resolution, the Professional Regulatory Boards (Boards) were mandated to issue Operational Guidelines during the Transition Period;

NOW THEREFORE, in compliance with the mandate of the Commission and after consultation with the stakeholders, the Professional Regulatory Board of Mechanical Engineering (Board) hereby **RESOLVES** to issue these Operational Guidelines during the **Transition Period** pursuant to Commission Resolution No. 1146 (s. 2019).

Section 1. During the transition period the following shall be observed:

- Professional Mechanical Engineers (PME), Registered Mechanical Engineers (RMEE) and Certified Plant Mechanic (CPM) working overseas shall not be covered by the CPD requirement.
- Newly licensed PME, RMEE and CPM shall not be covered by the CPD requirement for the first renewal cycle (3 years) after obtaining their license.
- The CPD Council of Mechanical Engineering shall reduce the required CPD credit units for the renewal of Professional Identification Card (PIC), as follows:

PROFESSIONAL LEVEL	MINIMUM CPD UNITS REQUIRED
PME	15
RMEE	15
CPM	10

- d.) CPD providers with valid accreditation during this transition period may continue their offering of CPD programs.

Section 2. Recognition of Credit Units – All duly validated and recognized CPD credit units earned by a professional shall be accumulated in accordance with the pathways and equivalencies of the Philippine Qualifications Framework (PQF).

Excess credit units may be used on the next renewal cycle.

CPD credit units refers to the value of an amount of learning achieved from formal, informal or non-formal learning including professional work experience wherein credits can be accumulated to pre-determined levels for the award of a qualification.

Section 3. Presumptive Approval – The approval of application shall be made by the Council under the following conditions:

- 3.1. Applications for CPD programs of accredited CPD Providers shall be submitted not less than fifteen (15) working days before the scheduled date of program offering.

Only applications with complete documentary requirement shall be accepted.

- 3.2. All CPD programs duly submitted for accreditation shall be deemed approved after ten (10) working days from official receipt thereof, if no feedback from the CPD Council is received. However, should the Council require more information, another (10) working day period is given upon receipt of additional document/s.

- 3.3. All Self-Directed Learning (SDL) applications shall be deemed approved after fifteen (15) working days from official receipt thereof, if no feedback from the CPD Council is received. However, should the Council require more information, another fifteen (15) working day period is given upon receipt of additional document/s.

Section 4. Expiration of the Transition Period – The transition period shall expire after the antecedents have been met as stated in Annex "A" of Resolution No. 1146 (s. 2019) upon recommendation of the CPD Council of Mechanical Engineering, through the Board, and approved by the Commission.

Section 5. Accreditation of CPD Program – Any accredited CPD Provider may apply for accreditation of its program to the CPD Council of Mechanical Engineering for approval after evaluation on its relevance, value and/or applicability of the program to the profession as basis of the grant of CPD credit units.

Section 6. In-house Training Programs – In-house training programs and capacity-building activities of government agencies and private employers shall be accredited and considered as CPD compliance of their employed professionals.

- 6.1. Government agencies and private employers shall apply for accreditation as CPD Providers.

- 6.2. Upon approval of accreditation, government agencies and private employers shall apply for accreditation of their respective in-house training programs and capacity-building activities.

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6.3. For registered PME, RMEE and CPM who are employed by non-accredited (CPD) providers, their certificates of training shall be applied for credit units under Self-Directed Learning (SDL) modality.

Section 7. Professional Mechanical Engineers (PME), Registered Mechanical Engineers (RMEE) and Certified Plant Mechanic (CPM) Who Executed an Undertaking – PME and RMEE who executed an undertaking before this transition period shall be required to comply with only fifteen (15) credit units while CPM with only ten (10) credit units.

Section 8. Repealing Clause – All resolutions, orders, circulars, issuances and parts thereof which are inconsistent with this Resolution are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.

Section 9. Effectivity – This Resolution shall take effect after fifteen (15) days following its full and complete publication in the Official Gazette or in a major newspaper of general circulation, copy furnished the U.P. Law Center.

Done in the City of Manila, this 12th day of May, 2020.


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