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**PROFESSIONAL REGULATORY BOARD OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY**
**PROGRAM OF THE MEDICAL TECHNOLOGISTS LICENSURE EXAMINATION**
**ON AUGUST 15 AND 16, 2026**

| DATE AND TIME | S U B J E C T S | WEIGHT |
|---|---|---|
| **SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2026** | | |
| **7:00 A.M. - 7:45 A.M.** | **GENERAL INSTRUCTION FILLING OUT OF FORMS** | |
| 8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. | Clinical Chemistry | **20%** |
| 11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. | Microbiology and Parasitology | **20%** |
| 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M. | Clinical Microscopy | **10%** |
| **SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2026** | | |
| 8:00 A.M. – 10:00 A.M. | Hematology | **20%** |
| 11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M. | Blood Banking and Serology | **20%** |
| 2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M. | Histopathologic Techniques, Medical Technology Laws and Ethics | **10%** |
| | **TOTAL =** | **100%** |

**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS:**

1. Check or verify your school/building assignments at the PRC official website (www.prc.gov.ph).

2. Report to the school/building assignment before 6:30 A.M. on the first day of the examination to verify your room and seat number. Be punctual. Late examinees will not be admitted.

3. Examinees are required to wear their school uniform per Resolution. No. 311 dated May 18, 1994.

4. Bring the following on examination day:
   a. Notice of Admission
   b. Two or more pencils (No. 2)
   c. Regular ballpens (not sign pen, friction pen, or technical pen) with BLACK ink only and with transparent casing
   d. One (1) piece long brown envelope
   e. One (1) piece long transparent/plastic envelope
   f. NON-PROGRAMMABLE CALCULATORS (Please refer to Commission Resolution No. 1809-2024 or the "Updated List of Non-Programmable Calculators Allowed to be used in the Licensure Examinations".

**NOTE: ONLY ONE CALCULATOR PER EXAMINEE SHALL BE ALLOWED INSIDE THE EXAMINATION ROOM. CALCULATORS SHALL BE INSPECTED AND HAVE TO BE RESET BEFORE THE START OF THE EXAMINATION.**

g. Packed snacks, meals, and necessary medications, including hygiene and sanitary kits in TRANSPARENT/CLEAR containers/cellophanes, with sufficient drinking water supply for the day. The proctors/room watchers shall not allow any person, including food delivery service, to give or distribute food to any examines while the examination is in progress. Except for restroom necessities, no examinee shall be allowed to leave the examination room during the conduct of the examination.

5. The following items are strictly **PROHIBITED** inside the examination premises.

   a. Books, notes, review materials, and other printed materials containing coded data/information/formula.
   b. **PROGRAMMABLE CALCULATORS.**
   c. **APPLE, SAMSUNG AND OTHER SMARTWATCHES/EYEGLASSES (such as Ray-Ban prescriptive Meta AI eyeglasses), CELLULAR PHONES, EARPLUGS, TRANSMITTERS, PORTABLE COMPUTERS, BLUETOOTH, AND OTHER ELECTRONIC GADGETS/DEVICES WHICH MAY BE USED TO RETRIEVE/STORE DATA/INFORMATION AND/OR TO COMMUNICATE FOR WHATEVER PURPOSES**.
   d. Bags of any kind (ladies bag, shoulder bags, attaché case, backpacks, etc.)
   e. Other examination aids not stated in this program.

   The rules on the conduct of bodily search, 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.

6. Examinees and examination personnel are encouraged to observe the minimum health standards per DOH Circular No. 0324 (s. 2023)[1] throughout the conduct of the examination.

7. Read carefully and follow the instructions on your **NOTICE OF ADMISSION**.

**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.**

Manila, Philippines
June 11, 2026

**APPROVED:**

**MARILYN A. CABAL-BARZA, MD**
Chairperson

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

**ATTY. LOVELIKA T. BAUTISTA**
Chief, PRB Secretariat Division

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MADC

[1] Updated Health Protocols Following the Lifting of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency

CERTIFICATION INTERNATIONAL ISO 9001:2015
PAB Accredited QNS Certification Body Accreditation No: MSA-001

Resolution No. 1809
Series of 2024

## UPDATED LIST OF NON-PROGRAMMABLE CALCULATORS ALLOWED TO BE USED IN THE LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act (R.A.) No. 8981, or the "PRC Modernization Act of 2000", empowers the Professional Regulation Commission (Commission) to administer, implement and enforce the regulatory policies of the national government with respect to the regulation and licensing of the professions under its jurisdiction; administer and conduct the licensure examinations of the various regulatory Boards in accordance with the rules and regulations promulgated; and adopt measures to preserve the integrity and inviolability of the licensure examinations, among others;

**WHEREAS,** the Commission, pursuant to its powers under the same Act, issued Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 21 (s. 2009), prescribing the list of non-programmable calculators to be used by the examinees in all licensure examinations;

**WHEREAS,** some of the models in the list of allowed non-programmable calculators under MC No. 21 (s. 2009) are found to be outdated since most of them are phased-out and are commercially unavailable;

**WHEREAS**, the Commission recognizes the importance of ensuring that the list of non-programmable calculators allowed in the licensure examinations are up-to-date and easily accessible;

**WHEREAS,** it is also important to have an updated list of allowed non-programmable calculators for the guidance of the Commission Regional Offices, the examinees, and other stakeholders;

**NOW THEREFORE**, the Commission **RESOLVES**, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, to recommend the **Updated List of Non-Programmable Calculators Allowed to be Used in Licensure Examinations** as shown in "Annex A".

**RESOLVED FURTHER**, that the following additional guidelines be properly followed:

a. Only one (1) non-programmable calculator per examinee shall be allowed inside the examination room. All calculators shall be thoroughly inspected by the examination personnel every examination day.
b. Borrowing, lending and substitution/replacement of calculators while the examination is in progress shall not be allowed.

**RESOLVED FINALLY,** that:

a. Professional Regulatory Boards (PRBs) that have their own list of allowable calculators may continue to use their existing *Resolution*, which shall be clearly stated in their licensure examination program;
b. PRBs that prefer to have their own list of allowable calculators may issue their own *Resolution*;
c. PRBs may completely disallow calculators in their licensure examinations which shall be clearly stated in their licensure examination program; and

d. Calculators listed in MC No. 21 (s. 2009) that are still available in the market may be used in licensure examinations, with the exception of that mentioned in MC No. 01 (s. 2018) on "*Disallowing the Use of Casio Calculator FX-991ES and FX 991ES Plus in the Licensure Examinations, and other Special Rules on the Use of Calculators during the Licensure Examinations*" and Casio Calculator FX-570ES Plus which has been repeatedly discovered to have been used for cheating by, but not limited to, being modified to transmit and receive data.

This Resolution shall take effect immediately following its publication in the Official Gazette or a newspaper of general circulation and the submission of a copy thereof to the Office of the National Administrative Register of the University of the Philippines.

Done in the City of Manila, this 26th day of April 2024.

**CHARITO A. ZAMORA**
Chairperson

**JOSE Y. CUETO, JR.**
Commissioner

**ERWIN M. ENAD**
Commissioner

DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE
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**ANNEX "A"**

## I. CASIO SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Fx-95MS | Fx-122S | Fx-350HA | Fx-82ES PLUS |
| Fx-100D | Fx-220 | Fx-350MS | Fx-85MS |
| Fx-100MS | Fx-250HC | Fx-350TL | Fx-85W |
| Fx-100S | Fx-260 | Fx-570AD | Fx-901 |
| Fx-100W | Fx-300W | Fx-570MS | Fx-911W |
| Fx-115MS | Fx-350D | Fx-570S | Fx-991S |
| Fx-115S | Fx-350ES PLUS | Fx-570W | Fx-991W |
| Fx-115WA | Fx-350EX | Fx-82EX | |

## II. CANON SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS

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|---|---|---|---|
| F-502 | F-710 | F-718SG | F-720i |
| F-502G | F-718S | F-718SGA | F-760S |
| F-604 | F-718SA | F-720 | F-789SGA (with transparent casing) |

## III. SHARP SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| EL-500W | EL-506W | EL-510R | EL-531XH |
| EL-501V | EL-509D | EL-520G | EL-531W |
| EL-501W | EL-509R | EL-520VA | EL-546L |
| EL-501X | EL-509V | EL-520W | EL-546VA |
| EL-506P | EL-509W | EL-520X | EL-556G |
| EL-506V | EL-509X | EL-531VH | EL-W531TH-WH (with transparent casing) |

## IV. HEWLETT-PACKARD SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| HP 9S | HP 10S | HP 30S | HP Smartcalc 300S |

## V. CITIZEN SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| SR-135N | SR-260N | SR-270N | SR-270X | SR-281N |

## VI. AURORA SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| AX-501 | AX-528BL | AX-595TV | AX-597W | AX-600S |

## VII. OLYMPIA SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS

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|---|---|---|---|
| LCD 8110 | LCD 9210 | ES-570MS | ES-570ES PLUS (with transparent casing) |

## VIII. TEXAS INSTRUMENTS SCIENTIFIC CALCULATORS

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|---|---|---|---|---|
| TI-30XA | TI-30XIIS | TI-30XS | TI-34 | TI-36X PRO |

## IX. OTHER BRANDS

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|---|---|
| KARCE KC-S991 | KARCE KC-S3500 |
| PORPO YH-105 | PORPO YH-106 |
| TAKSUN TS-98MS | TAKSUN TS-2000 |

**Annex A**

**PROCEDURE ON THE CONDUCT OF THE BODILY SEARCH, INSPECTION OF PERSONAL BELONGINGS OF THE EXAMINEES AND THE SEIZURE/CONFISCATION OF PROHIBITED ITEMS DURING THE LICENSURE EXAM**

All examination personnel, with the assistance of the representatives from law enforcement agencies, shall conduct a bodily search and inspection of the personal belongings of the examinees, subject to the following guidelines:

1. The least intrusive means of search or inspection shall be employed, either thru visual inspection, use of metal detectors, x-ray/scanners, weighing scale for calculators, rods/sticks (instead of bare hands). Bodily searches may involve physical contact but only if reasonably necessary to complete the search, i.e. if mere visual search is not sufficient to achieve the purpose of the search as when needed to check for hidden prohibited articles/items. Should physical contact be necessary, the same must always be carried out by examination personnel of the same sex.

2. The examinee, in the course of the bodily search, may be requested to remove certain pieces of his/her clothing (e. g. jackets, shoes, belts, eyeglasses, etc.) but only as far as necessary and proportionate to the purpose of the search. In no case shall the conduct of bodily search be too intrusive or excessive.

3. The bodily search should be done privately, if the examinee so requests or if deemed necessary under the circumstances.

   For Muslim woman examinees, they shall be required to momentarily remove their face veils (*niqab*) for verification purposes. This procedure shall be done in seclusion or privately, with the assistance of an examination personnel or the assigned Floor or Building Supervisor, who must also be a female.

4. In all cases, the examinees must be informed of the purpose of the search. The NOA and the Board Examination Program must bear a stipulation that the examinee submits and agrees to the inspection of his/her person and belongings, and that in case prohibited items are found in his/her possession, the same shall be placed in the custody of the Commission for investigation purposes.

5. Manual opening of the calculators may only be resorted to if there is a well-founded belief or suspicion that the calculator is or will be used for illegal purpose (e.g. if with tampered or broken seal, or if the same appears to be heavier than the ordinary or with an unusual display or configuration).

6. The search or inspection herein described shall be conducted before the start of the exam and may be repeated at any time thereafter, if deemed necessary.

7. All prohibited items shall be seized/confiscated. The seized/confiscated item/s shall be marked with proper identification by the examination personnel concerned. The examination personnel shall prepare an incident report, using the prescribed template, for submission to the Board.

   No seized/confiscated item shall be returned to the examinee until the decision on the case shall have become final and executory.

Republic of the Philippines
Department of Health
**OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

July 23, 2023

**DEPARTMENT CIRCULAR**
No. 2023- 0324

**TO:** **ALL DEPARTMENT UNDERSECRETARIES AND ASSISTANT SECRETARIES; MINISTER OF BANGSAMORO AUTONOMOUS REGION IN MUSLIM MINDANAO (BARMM); CENTERS FOR HEALTH DEVELOPMENT, BUREAU AND SERVICE DIRECTORS; SPECIAL AND SPECIALTY HOSPITAL DIRECTORS; CHIEFS OF MEDICAL CENTERS, HOSPITALS AND SANITARIA; AND OTHER CONCERNED OFFICES**

**SUBJECT:** **Updated Health Protocols following Lifting of the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency**

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On July 21, 2023, the President declared the lifting of the Public Health Emergency throughout the Philippines due to COVID-19 through Proclamation No. 297. In light of this, the Department of Health (DOH) clarifies the following changes in the COVID-19 protocols:

**Table 1. Updated protocols on Minimum Public Health Standards**

| PROTOCOLS | FROM | TO |
|---|---|---|
| Masking | Required in healthcare facilities, medical transport vehicles, and public transportation | **For Health Facilities**<br>While no longer mandated, the DOH recommends retention of the mandatory use of masks in health facilities to protect vulnerable patients and reduce nosocomial infection. Infection Prevention and Control Committees (IPCC) of health facilities can choose to retain mandatory masking and issue specific guidelines applicable to their facility.<br><br>For all other stationary or mobile healthcare providers without IPCC, DOH still recommends masking to be continued. |

| PROTOCOLS | FROM | TO |
|---|---|---|
| | | **For Public Transportation**<br>Wearing masks is no longer mandatory but not prohibited, especially for those who wish to protect themselves and others from COVID-19 or other respiratory infections. |
| | Mask wearing recommended for<br>• Elderly;<br>• Individuals with comorbidities;<br>• Immunocompromised individuals;<br>• Pregnant women;<br>• Unvaccinated individuals; and<br>• Symptomatic individuals | Mask wearing still recommended especially in crowded or poorly ventilated public spaces for:<br>• Elderly;<br>• Individuals with comorbidities;<br>• Immunocompromised individuals;<br>• Pregnant women;<br>• Unvaccinated individuals; and<br>• Symptomatic individuals. |
| Minimum Public Health Standards | Good hygiene, frequent hand washing, observance of physical distancing, and good ventilation | Good hygiene, frequent hand washing, and good ventilation; especially in situations where close interaction with vulnerable populations cannot be avoided such as the elderly population, those with comorbidities and immunocompromised individuals. |
| Vaccination | Recommended | Recommended |

As to clinical guidelines, the following are the updated *recommendations* informed by the Philippine COVID-19 Living Recommendations, World Health Organization, U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and recommended by the members of the DOH Scientific Advisory Group of Experts for Emerging and Re-Emerging Infectious Diseases (EREID SAGE). As with all other diseases, patients are advised to consult their health care provider, most especially if presenting with moderate to severe symptoms.

The DOH also reiterates that neither repeat testing (showing a negative COVID-19 test) nor requiring medical certificates are required for resumption of work or entrance to school.

**Table 2. Updated masking, quarantine and isolation protocols**

| | **Masking / Quarantine / Isolation Protocols** |
|---|---|
| **Asymptomatic close contact exposed to confirmed COVID-19 positive individual** | • No need to quarantine; and<br>• Wear a well-fitted face mask for 10 days. |
| **Asymptomatic but confirmed COVID-19 positive case** | • Home isolation for **5 days <u>OR</u>** until afebrile/ fever-free **for at least 24 hours** without using antipyretics (e.g., Paracetamol) and with improvement of respiratory symptoms, whichever is earlier; and<br>• Wear a well-fitted face mask for **10 days.**<br><br>***Note:*** Isolation may be shortened upon the advice of your healthcare provider. |
| **Confirmed COVID-19 positive case with mild symptoms OR individuals with acute respiratory symptoms** | |
| **Confirmed COVID-19 positive case with moderate to severe symptoms, OR ~~i~~mmunocompromised** | • Isolation for at least **10 days** from onset of signs and symptoms **following advice of the attending physician, including whether to be admitted in a health care facility;** and<br>• Wear a well-fitted face mask for **10 days.**<br><br>***Note:*** For severe disease and immunocompromised, discontinue isolation only upon the advice of your healthcare provider. |

Whilst the state of public health emergency has already been lifted, the health sector shall continue to remain vigilant to ensure adequate health system capacity in the event that it is required. Continued surveillance is necessary to minimize the risk of outbreaks and/or severe disease in settings with high-risk individuals. Regarding modifications in surveillance, reporting and public risk communication, please refer to the table below:

**Table 3. Reporting and Risk Communication**

| **PROTOCOLS** | **FROM** | **TO** |
|---|---|---|
| Surveillance | COVID-19 surveillance as a stand-alone surveillance system | COVID-19 surveillance protocols (case definitions, confirmatory testing, whole genome sequencing, case investigation forms, etc.) shall continue to be implemented until its integration into the **pilot pan-respiratory surveillance system by Q4 2023.** |
| Disease Reporting Unit reporting to the | Mandatory reporting of all cases and laboratory results | Continue mandatory reporting of cases and laboratory results to |

| PROTOCOLS | FROM | TO |
|---|---|---|
| DOH | | official information systems. |
| DOH reporting to the public | • Weekly case bulletins are released<br>• DOH COVID-19 tracker updated daily | • Weekly to include other notifiable diseases<br>• Weekly to include other notifiable diseases |

Finally, updated guidelines for incoming travelers (e.g. vaccination, testing, and isolation/quarantine requirements), issuance of vaccine certificates, implementation of the eTravel Pass, and the COVID-19 Alert Level System will be issued by the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF-EID) through the concerned agencies.

For dissemination and strict compliance of all concerned.

**TEODORO J. HERBOSA, MD**
Secretary of Health