

## Republic of the Philippines Professional Regulation Commission Alanila



Professional Regulatory Board for Professional Teachers
Resolution No. 25
Series of 2019

## RECOMMENDING MODIFICATIONS TO COMMISSION MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 19 (S 2008): UPDATED LIST ON NON-PROGRAMMABLE CALCULATORS ALLOWED TO BE USED IN THE LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS

WHEREAS, Republic Act (RA) 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 it promulgated; and to adopt measures to preserve the integrity and inviolability of the licensure examinations, among others;

WHEREAS, the Commission, pursuant to its powers under RA No. 8981, issued Memorandum Circular No. 19 (s 2008) prescribing the allowable calculators for use in all licensure examinations;

**WHEREAS**, upon the recommendation of the Professional Regulatory Boards of Accountancy (PRB-ACC) and Civil Engineering (PRB-OCE), the Commission issued advisories<sup>1</sup> prohibiting calculators which are programmable or with embedded functions, especially Casio FX991ES and Casio FX 991ES plus, in the May 2019 Accountancy and Civil Engineering Licensure Examinations;

WHEREAS, the Professional Regulatory Board for Professional Teachers (PRB-PTR) reviewed the list of allowable calculators under MC No. 19 (s 2008), taking into consideration the subjects in the LEPT that necessitate the use of calculators;

**WHEREAS**, of the LEPT subjects, namely, General Education, Professional Education and Specialization, it was determined by the PRB-PTR that only Mathematics (under the Specialization subject) would require examinees to use calculators.

**NOW THEREFORE**, subject to the approval of the Commission, the PRB-PTR hereby **RESOLVES** to recommend the following:

- 1. Examinees for the Secondary Level, with major in Mathematics, may use calculators during the LEPT, *provided*, that such calculators have the following features only: addition, subtraction, multiplication, division, trigonometric function, logarithm and x<sup>y</sup>. Only one (1) calculator shall be allowed inside the examination room. All calculators shall be thoroughly inspected by the examination personnel.
- 2. Examinees other than those mentioned in item no. 1 are prohibited from using calculators, regardless of model or unit.

This Resolution shall be applied starting the September 2019 LEPT.

This Resolution shall take effect fifteen (15) days following its publication. Let a copy hereof be deposited to the UP Law Center-National Administrative Register.

<sup>1</sup> posted at the Commission website on 07 May 2019 (Accountancy); and 03 May 2019 (Civil Engineering)

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Done this

9th

day of

July, 2019

in the City of Manila.

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