



Republic of the Philippines
Professional Regulation Commission
Manila



RESOLUTION NO. 1270

Series of 2020

POSTPONING THE LICENSURE EXAMINATIONS FOR ARCHITECTS, MIDWIVES, CIVIL ENGINEERS, AERONAUTICAL ENGINEERS, GEOLOGISTS, NURSES, CRIMINOLOGISTS, DENTAL HYGIENISTS (WRITTEN AND PRACTICAL), DENTISTS (WRITTEN AND PRACTICAL), DENTAL TECHNOLOGISTS (WRITTEN AND PRACTICAL), RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGISTS, X-RAY TECHNOLOGISTS AND PHARMACISTS AND RESETTING THEREOF IN 2021

WHEREAS, the President declared the State of Public Health Emergency under Proclamation No. 922 (s. 2020) and a State of Calamity under Proclamation No. 929 (s. 2020) throughout the Philippines;

WHEREAS, the affected licensure examinations from March to October 2020 were postponed by the Commission, through its Resolution Nos. 1230, 1235, 1241, 1243, 1245, 1252 and 1260 (s. 2020) to curtail the spread of COVID-19;

WHEREAS, the Commission issued Resolution No. 1237 (s. 2020) providing for the new schedule of the March-June 2020 licensure examinations;

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 1256 (s. 2020) was issued prescribing the interim guidelines in the conduct of the remaining 2020 licensure examinations and categorized the same as small, medium and large-scale licensure examinations;

WHEREAS, the Licensure Examinations for Architects, Midwives, Civil Engineers, Nurses, Criminologists, Dentists, Radiologic Technologists & X-Ray Technologists, and Pharmacists are mostly classified as a medium and large-scale which shall not be administered this year pursuant to Resolution No. 1256 unless the profession's stakeholders, such as APO/AIPO, Academe, and/or Sector, recommend its conduct as endorsed by the concerned PRB, subject to relevant rules and regulations existing, as well as to available resources for a credible and safe licensure examinations;

WHEREAS, the Licensure Examinations for Aeronautical Engineers and Geologists, while categorized as small-scale, the Boards concerned endorsed the requests for examination postponement from their respective professional organizations, academe and stakeholders to secure the health and safety of all concerned;

WHEREAS, the Licensure Examinations for Dental Hygienists and Dental Technologists, which are also under small-scale category, were unanimously recommended by the Board of Dentistry to be cancelled due to the risks of sharing of equipment and of using live patients during the practical examinations that require close contact of the examinee with a patient and exposure to their oral fluids, mainly the saliva;

WHEREAS, upon further assessment of the ongoing crisis and in consideration of the foregoing facts, the Boards concerned and the Licensure Office recommend to the Commission the postponement of the conduct of the said licensure examinations and reschedule the same on appropriate dates;

NOW THEREFORE, premises considered, the Commission **RESOLVED** to **POSTPONE** the conduct of the scheduled licensure examinations, as follows: **Architects, Midwives, Civil Engineers, Aeronautical Engineers, Geologists, Nurses, Criminologists, Dental Hygienists** (Written and Practical), **Dentists** (Written and Practical), **Dental Technologists** (Written and Practical), **Radiologic Technologists, X-Ray Technologists and Pharmacists** Licensure Examinations, and to **RESET** the foregoing examinations in 2021;

FURTHER, that Licensure Office shall prepare the necessary coordination with all Regional Offices, including information dissemination to all concerned.

Done in the City of Manila this 14th day of September 2020.


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Commissioner


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Chairman


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Commissioner