



**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 001, SERIES OF 2021**

**TO : ALL MANUFACTURERS/PROCESSORS OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS**

**SUBJECT : AMENDMENT OF RULE 3 REGULATION III OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE MANUFACTURE/PROCESSING OF TOBACCO PRODUCTS, TO INCLUDE FEE FOR SMALL-MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (SMEs)**

**DATE : 04 OCTOBER 2021**

**WHEREAS**, there are small and medium enterprises (SMEs) that are engaged in the manufacture of cigars for local consumption and are willing to be accredited by NTA as legitimate manufacturer/processor of tobacco products; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Republic Act 6977 (An Act to Promote, Develop and Assist Small and Medium Scale Enterprises through the creation of a Small and Medium Enterprise Development (SMED) Council, and the Rationalization of Government Assistance Programs and Agencies concerned with the Development of Small and Medium Enterprises, and for Other Purposes), all government agencies which have to do with small enterprises shall pursue the principles of minimum regulation to ensure stability of rules and to encourage entrepreneurial spirit among the citizenry.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in cognizance of the roles of small and medium enterprises in developing the Philippine economy and by virtue of the powers vested upon the National Tobacco Administration, there is a need to amend Rule 3 of the Rules and Regulations Governing the Manufacture/Processing of Tobacco Products is hereby amended to be read as follows:

**“Rule 3. Annual Accreditation Fee. The amount to be paid for the accreditation shall be determined in accordance with the following table, to wit:**

Number of sticks/pieces manufactured/processed per annum	Rate of Annual Accreditation (New or Renewal)
Less than 1,000,000	PhP 1,200.00
1,000,000 to less than 10,000,000	3,600.00
10,000,000 to less than 100,000,000	6,000.00
100,000,000 to less than 500,000,000	12,000.00
500,000,000 to less than 1 Billion	24,000.00
1 Billion to less than 10 Billion	30,500.00
10 Billion to less than 30 Billion	36,000.00
30 Billion to less than 50 Billion	48,000.00
50 Billion and above	60,000.00

REGULATION DEPARTMENT  
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BY: NTA. ROBERT A. MARCO

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**EFFECTIVITY**

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect fifteen (15) days after publication in a newspaper of general circulation and shall be filed with the Office of the National Administrative Register (ONAR), U.P. Law Center.

For the guidance and compliance of all concerned.

**APPROVED UNDER BOARD RESOLUTION NO. 2063-2021 DATED 29 JULY 2021.**

**BY AUTHORITY OF THE NTA GOVERNING BOARD:**

**ROBERT VICTOR G. SEARES, JR.**  
Administrator/Chief Executive Officer  
and Vice-Chairman, NTA Governing Board

