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Additional extension on recruitment agencies' license validity, renewal

The Philippine Overseas Employment Administration (POEA) has again extended temporarily the validity period and renewal of license/branch authority of recruitment and manning agencies which expired or are expiring during the community quarantine.

The POEA issued the Advisory No. 166, Series of 2020 in consideration of the affected recruitment agencies that are unable to file their application for renewal, upgrading and extension of licenses due to on-going general community quarantine (GCQ).

In the advisory, the license or branch authority of an agency which will expire or has expired during GCQ from December 1, 2020 to February 28, 2021 is temporarily extended until March 31, 2021.

The said issuance is in accordance with the Memorandum Circular No. 7, Series of 2020, and subject to the rules under the relative POEA advisories.

As such, the application for the renewal, upgrading and extension of license, and renewal of branch authority shall be filed within the 30 calendars days from the lifting of the GCQ.

Agencies must also submit complete requirements in accordance with the checklist requirements subject for evaluation, review and approval of the Administration.

However, the POEA clarifies that the temporary extension does not mean an automatic approval of the application for renewal, upgrading and extension of license, and renewal of branch authority.

Also, failure to file the application within the period provided can be a reason for the revocation of the agency's license due to expiration. ###