

## REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE BUREAU OF INTERNAL REVENUE

September 4, 2023

## REVENUE MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO

SUBJECT:

Publishing the Updated List of Registered Manufacturers/Importers/ Exporters with the Corresponding Product Brands/Variants of Cigarettes, Heated Tobacco Products, Vapor Products and Novel Tobacco Products and

Integration of the Requirements for Compliance Purposes

TO

All Internal Revenue Officers and Others Concerned

This Circular is hereby issued to intensify the campaign of the Bureau of Internal Revenue against illicit tobacco products. For the information and guidance of all internal revenue officials, employees and others concerned, attached herewith are Annexes "A-H" reflecting the Updated List of Registered Manufacturers/Importers/Exporters with the Corresponding Product Brands/Variants of Cigarettes, Heated Tobacco Products, Vapor Products and Novel Tobacco Products as of August 31, 2023 reflecting the following categories:

- 1. Manufacturers of Locally Produced Cigarettes (Domestic) (Annex "A");
- 2. Manufacturers of Locally Produced Cigarettes (Export) (Annex "B");
- 3. PEZA-Registered Manufacturers of Cigarettes (Annex "C");
- 4. Importers of Cigarettes (Annex "D");
- 5. Manufacturers of Vapor Products (Annex "E");
- 6. Importers of Vapor Products (Annex "F");
- 7. Importers of Heated Tobacco Products (Annex "G"); and
- 8. Importers of Novel Tobacco Products (Annex "H").

Newly registered manufacturers/importers of cigarettes, heated tobacco products, vapor products, and novel tobacco products after August 31, 2023 shall be included in the updated list of such entities in the BIR website. As required under Revenue Regulations (RR) No. 7-2021 and RR No. 14-2022, Manufacturers/Importers/Exporters of Cigarettes, Heated Tobacco Products, Vapor Products and Novel Tobacco Products must comply with the requisite registration of brands and variants thereof within six (6) months from the date of release of this Circular to avoid penalties for noncompliance.

Furthermore, the products must comply with the requirement on Graphic Health Warning and the affixing of BIR Tax Stamps except for vapor products and novel tobacco products for which Internal Revenue Stamps Integrated System (IRSIS) stamps are not yet available in the system.

All internal revenue officials, employees and others concerned are hereby enjoined to give this Circular as wide a publicity as possible.

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