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FISHERIES ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER No. 14-6

SUBJECT: Amending Section 3 of Fisheries Administrative Order No. 14.

Section 3.- Classes of lease—A lease for fishpond purposes issued in accordance with these regulations may be one of the following classes:

(a) Ordinary fishpond permit for a tract of public forest land not exceeding ten (10) hectares for a term not exceeding one (1) year, may be issued by the Director of Fisheries. For an area of more than ten (10) hectares, an ordinary fishpond permit may be issued by the Director of Fisheries with the approval of the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

(b) Lease agreements shall only be issued by the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources upon recommendation of the Director of Fisheries for a definite term of ten (10) years at the option of the lessee. A lease agreement may be granted to an applicant who has introduced improvements in the area equivalent to one-fifth (1/5) of the total amount needed to complete the improvements of the area on the basis of P1,000.00 per hectare.

(c) A husband and wife who are living separately by virtue of a decree of legal separation granted under the provisions of the Civil Code of the Philippines may each apply for a fishpond permit covering an area not more than the maximum number of hectares allowed under this section. A husband and wife living together should not hold under their individual or separate permits an aggregate area in excess of the maximum number of hectares herein allowed.

(d) In the case of children who are qualified to obtain permit or lease as provided for under section 2 hereof, and although whose parents are actual holders of permits covering the maximum area, any of them may apply for a fishpond permit provided they are at least 21 years of age and are financially qualified in their own right.

A person who is actually a holder of fishpond permit or lease covering the maximum area as provided herein shall be precluded from acquiring any right or interest in another permit or lease even if his interest is that of a stockholder of a corporation or company.
A corporation or company shall not be granted a permit or lease if its members of stockholders are already holders of permits or leases covering an aggregate area of two hundred (200) hectares or more. Provided, however, that if the total area covered by the permits or leases of the members or stockholders is less than two hundred (200) hectares, the permit or lease may be issued a corporation or company only for the balance of the area to complete the maximum allowed.

The maximum number of hectares to be covered by a permit or lease shall not be more than one hundred (100) hectares for each individual and not more than two hundred (200) hectares for each corporation or partnership duly registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Provided, that the Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources, or the Director of Fisheries may, in his discretion, limit or reduce the area that may be granted for reasons of public interest, financial capability and qualification of applicants, and existence of numerous permits or applications in the place or places covered by the application.

Sec. 2.—This Order shall take effect upon its approval, and its provisions shall apply to all applications pending issuance of permits or leases.

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