



Professional Regulation Commission

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORITY TO PRACTICE (Non - Filipino citizen)

International Affairs Office

INSTRUCTION:

This application must be accomplished by the applicant or duly authorized representative. Any false statement is subject to legal prosecution.

Profession: _____

- New application
 Renewal

Passport Size ID

Picture of the Applicant with COMPLETE NAME Tag in plain white background

Categories:**For permanent practice:**

- Category A1 Foreign professionals applying for registration with examination
 Category A2 Foreign professionals applying for registration without examination

For temporary practice:

- Category B Foreign professionals to practice a profession in the Philippines under reciprocity or other international agreements (Architecture, Agriculture, Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering, Environmental Planning, Fisheries, Geodetic Engineering, Landscape Architecture, Radiologic Technology)
 Category C Foreign professionals who are to be employed in foreign-funded, joint venture or foreign assisted projects of the government
 Category D Foreign professionals who are to be employed by local and foreign private firms or institutions pursuant to law
 Category E Foreign health professionals for humanitarian or medical/surgical or dental mission for a limited period of time

Part I – Personal Data

Surname:	Given Name:	Middle Name:	Visa / Nature of Stay:
Citizenship:	Gender:		Date of Arrival in the Philippines:
Home address / country of origin:	Philippine Mailing Address:		Period of Stay:
Contact number and/or E-mail Address:			
Name of Sponsoring Group / Company / Institution in the Philippines: (If Applicable)		Address:	
Contact number and/or E-mail Address:			

- a. Have you ever been formally charged? NO YES
b. Have you ever been guilty of any administrative offense? NO YES
c. Have you ever been convicted of any crime or violation of any law, decree, ordinance or regulation by any court or tribunal? NO YES

If so, attach a copy of the decision or the complaint, if still pending.

Part II – License/s Obtained *(Inclusive of License Obtained in the Philippines)*

Title of License	Place of Practice	Issuing Agency	License / Certification Number	Date Issued	Validity

Part III – Specialization (State briefly your fields of specialization, special studies or courses taken)**Part IV – Work Experience**

Name of Employer	Address	Contact Details	Position Held	Date of Service

Part V- Acknowledgment

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the above information supplied are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and further authorize PRC and other government agencies to investigate the authenticity of all the documents presented.

Signature over printed name of Applicant / Authorized Representative

Date Accomplished

Assessment and Evaluation of Requirements

General requirements:

- 1. Duly accomplished Application Form of International Affairs Office (IAO) (available at the www.prc.gov.ph under the Special Temporary Permits of the International Affairs)
- 2. Photocopy of valid passport as proof of citizenship
- 3. An official document showing that the applicant is a registered and licensed professional in such foreign state or any equivalent document including Certificate/s of training/competency in the discipline of area of specialization for which the foreign professional is to be engaged in the Philippines with official English translation thereof where necessary. **All official documents that are issued abroad must be authenticated (NOT acknowledged) by the Philippine Embassy/ Consulate/Legation in the state or country where the same was issued.**

Note: The validity/expiration date must be reflected on the license or certificate. In the absence of expiration date, a Certificate of Good Standing should be submitted, as well.

- 4. At least one (1) Filipino Professional counterpart/understudy for every foreign professional whose services will be engaged in the Philippines to be indicated in the letter request to PRC/PRB with photocopy of current PRC Professional I.D. Card (except for Category A1 and A2). In Category E, at least one (1) Filipino professional counterpart/understudy per professional group.
- 5. In case of STP renewal, a report detailing the accomplishments of the foreign professional for the period covered by the STP previously issued to him/her shall be submitted to the PRC/PRB concerned thru IAO (except for Category A1 and A2)
- 6. Two (2) pieces passport size I.D. picture with complete name tag in white background
- 7. Other requirements as may be prescribed by the PRB concerned.

Note: For group applications, documentary requirements should be segregated and submitted per profession.

Category-specific requirements

Category A1

- 1. A letter or any document signed by and under the official seal of the appropriate official of the foreign state or country requesting the Board Chairperson concerned to allow the foreign applicant to take the licensure examination and that by express provision of the law of the foreign state or country or international agreement to which the applicant's state or country is a signatory, the citizens of the Philippines are allowed to take the licensure examination and to register as a professional in such foreign state or country
- 2. An official copy of the foreign law or international agreement as proof of reciprocity for the practice of profession, officially translated in the English Language, if applicable. **All official documents that are issued abroad must be authenticated (NOT acknowledged) by the Philippine Embassy/Consulate/Legation in the state or country where the same was issued.**
- 3. Original or certified true copy of the transcript of records or equivalent document of the course for the licensure examination issued by the institution of higher learning where the foreign applicant graduated (The documents must also be certified by the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) to be equivalent to the pertinent course accredited/recognized in the Philippines)

Category A2

- 1. A letter or any document signed by and under the official seal of the appropriate official of the foreign state or country requesting the Board Chairperson concerned to allow the foreign applicant to register without examination pursuant to the provisions of the applicable regulatory law, coupled with a declaration/statement that the requirements for the registration and licensing of professionals in such foreign state or country are substantially the same as those provided for under Philippine laws
- 2. An official copy of the foreign law or international agreement as proof of reciprocity for the practice of profession, officially translated in the English Language. **All official documents that are issued abroad must be authenticated (NOT acknowledged) by the Philippine Embassy/Consulate/Legation in the state or country where the same was issued.**

Category B

- 1. Letter request to PRC/PRB requesting for the issuance of the STP to the foreign professional indicating the date and venue of the undertaking
- 2. An official copy of the foreign law or international agreement of reciprocity for the practice of the profession, officially translated in the English language **All official documents that are issued abroad must be authenticated (NOT acknowledged) by the Philippine Embassy/Consulate/Legation in the state or country where the same was issued.**
- 3. Professional liability insurance issued in the Philippines, whenever applicable and required by the professional regulatory law
- 4. A copy of Contract of Employment of Services, or Memorandum of Agreement between the government agency and the foreign professional, indicating the terms of reference, nature of engagement, scope, duration and other project or contract details

Category C

- 1. Letter request addressed to PRC/PRB requesting for the issuance of the STP to the foreign professional to be engaged as a consultant in foreign-funded, joint venture or foreign-assisted projects of the government indicating the date and venue of the undertaking
- 2. A copy of the Contract of Employment or Services, or Memorandum of Agreement between the government agency and the foreign professional indicating the terms of reference, nature of engagement, scope, duration and other project or contract details

Category D

- 1. Letter request addressed to PRC/PRB requesting for the issuance of the STP to the foreign professional to be employed by the Philippine or foreign private firms or institutions indicating the date and venue of the undertaking
- 2. A copy of the Contract of Employment or Services, or Memorandum of Agreement between the private firm or institution and the foreign professional, indicating the terms of reference, nature of engagement, scope, duration and other project or contract details

Category E

- 1. Letter request to PRC/PRB requesting for the issuance of STP to the foreign professional for the conduct of humanitarian or medical/surgical or dental indicating the date and venue of the mission

Profession-specific requirements: (for Categories B, C and D)

- Accountancy, Optometry, Respiratory Therapy**
A certification issued by the Accredited Integrated Professional Organization stating that the services of the foreign professional are essential for the development and advancement of the profession in the Philippines.
- Aeronautical Engineering**
A certification issued by the Accredited Integrated Professional Organization stating that the employment or engagement of the foreign professional will not jeopardize any Filipino Aeronautical Engineer.
- Customs Brokers, Real Estate Services**
A certification issued by the Accredited Integrated Professional Organization stating that the services of the foreign professional are urgently needed due to the absence or inadequacy of Filipino professional for the promotion or enhancement of the profession in the Philippines.
- Electrical Engineering, Electronics Engineering, Naval Architecture**
A certification issued by the Accredited Integrated Professional Organization stating that no qualified Filipino is available for the work or undertaking that the foreign professional is being hired or commissioned for.
- Guidance and Counseling, Pharmacy**
A certification issued by the Accredited Integrated Professional Organization stating that the services of the foreign professional are urgently and importantly necessary due to lack or inadequacy of available Filipino specialist/experts for the purpose of promoting or securing the practice of profession.
- Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering, Landscape Architecture**
A certification issued by the Accredited Integrated Professional Organization stating that the expertise of foreign professional is necessary and advantageous to the Philippines on the aspect of transfer of technology and specialization.