# POLLUTION CONTROL COFFICER Accreditation

Pursuant to DENR Administrative Order No. 2014-02 (citing Letter of Instructions No. 588), all entities discharging or emitting pollutants are required to designate a Pollution Control Officer (PCO) who shall be a technical person knowledgeable in pollution control or environmental protection. In order to be accredited, the designated PCO shall be able to complete a Basic PCO Training Course by a MENRE-EMS recognized training organization.

PCOs shall be accredited based on the qualifications and criteria for categorization of establishments.



## Minimum Qualification Requirements and Criteria for Categorization of Establishments

1	CRITERIA	CATEGORY A	CATEGORY B
1	Qualification Requirements for PCOs		
	Basic Qualifications	<ul> <li>Filipino Citizen, of legal age, with good moral character;</li> <li>Mentally and physically healthy;</li> <li>Full-time employee of the establishment where he/she is being designated as PCO; and</li> <li>Has completed the Basic PCO Training Course by and EMB-recognized training organization/institution within the last three (3) years</li> </ul>	
	Minimum Competency Requirements (any of the following)	<ul> <li>Graduate of any related technical course;</li> <li>Had reached third year in tertiary level education;</li> <li>Had been with the establishment for at least three (3) years in a supervisory position or in a responsible position or equivalent experience</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Licensed engineers/chemists with at least two (2) years relevant experience in environmental management;</li> <li>Professionals in the field of engineering or physical and natural sciences with at least three (3) years relevant experience in environmental management;</li> <li>Other professionals of appropriate discipline with at least five (5) years relevant experience in environmental management</li> </ul>
	Categorization of Establishments		
ı	Chemical Usage, Storage, and/or Handling	Using, storage, and/or handling chemicals which are not listed in the Priority Chemical List (PCL) or Annex 1 of DAO 2014-02	Using, storage, and/or handling chemicals which are not listed in the Priority Chemical List (PCL) or Annex 1 of DAO 2014-02, regardless of quantity
١	Hazardous Waste Generated	Small quantity generator as defined in Annex 2 of DAO 2014-02	<ul> <li>Large quantity generator as defined in Annex 2 of DAO 2014-02;</li> <li>DENR-accredited Transporter; OR</li> <li>DENR-accredited Treatment, Storage, and Disposal (TSD) Facility</li> </ul>
	Air Emissions	Boilers rated less than 50 HP;     Diesel generators at less than 300 kW;     Other sources that have the potential to emit less than 10 tons per year of an air pollutant regulated under Republic Act 8749: Philippine Clean Air Act of 1999; OR     Establishments not required to undergo stack sampling	<ul> <li>Small, medium, large-sized, or environmentally significant existing source as defined in EMB Memorandum Circular 2007-003; OR</li> <li>Establishments required to undergo stack sampling</li> </ul>
	Solid Waste Generated	Generates more than 30 kg/day of aggregate solid wastes	<ul> <li>Centralized Materials Recovery Facility (MRF);</li> <li>Solid waste treatment or processing facilities; OR</li> <li>Sanitary landfill or with sanitary landfill</li> </ul>
	Wastewater Discharged	<ul> <li>Less than 30 m /day; AND</li> <li>Without the following effluent quality parameters: Arsenic, Cadmium, Chromium (hexavalent), Cyanide, Lead, Mercury (total), Polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), Formaldehyde</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Equal to greater than 30 m /day;</li> <li>With the following effluent quality parameters: Arsenic, Cadmium, Chromium (hexavalent), Cyanide, Lead, Mercury (total), PCBs, Formaldehyde;</li> <li>Classified as Strong Wastewater [with influent biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) &gt; 3,000 mg/L]; OR</li> <li>Transporter or treater of wastewater, sewage, and/or septage</li> </ul>

Transporter or treater of sludge

**Sludge Generated** 

N/A

# REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ACCREDITATION OF POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER

#### **New Application**

- 1. Duly Accomplished PCO Accreditation Application Form
- 2. Letter of Appointment/Designation as PCO of the establishment signed by the Managing Head
- 3. Certificate of PCO Training (Conducted by EMB-recognized training organization / institution within the last three (3) years.
- 4. Certificate of Training (8 hours training for the basic environmental laws) for Managing Head
- 5. Updated Resume with 2 x 2 picture
- 6. Photocopy of College Diploma and/or Transcript of Records
- 7. Signed and Notarized Affidavit of Joint Undertaking of the PCO and the Managing Head
- For Category B Establishments, include the valid Professional Regulation Commission license, if applicable.
- 9. Processing Fee: P500

### For the Owner Who Acts as PCO of the Project/Establishment

- 1. Duly Accomplished PCO Accreditation Application Form
- 2. Proof of Ownership: SEC / DTI Certificate
- Certificate of PCO Training (Conducted by EMB-recognized training organization / institution within the last three (3) years.
- 4. Updated Resume with 2 x 2 picture
- 5. Signed and Notarized Affidavit of Undertaking

#### Renewal of PCO Accreditation

- 1. Duly Accomplished PCO Accreditation Application Form
- 2. Certificate of Accreditation (xerox copy) and Managing Head Certificate (xerox copy)
- 3. PCO latest training Certificate (If any)
- 4. Signed and Notarized Affidavit of Joint Undertaking of the PCO and the Managing Head
- 5. Proof of Compliance with Environmental laws
- 6. Processing Fee: P500

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