

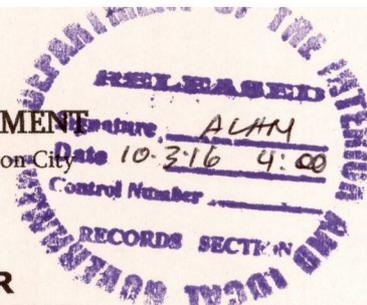


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UPDATED SPECIFICATION OF CADAVER BAGS FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF THE DEAD AND MISSING PERSONS

Memorandum Circular No. 2016-139

October 3, 2016

1.0 Background

- 1.1. National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) Memorandum Circular No. 19, s. 2016, dated May 13, 2016, provided N/R/L DRRMCs and local government units the rules and regulations regarding the management of the dead and missing persons during emergencies and disasters.
- 1.2. The DILG, as the lead agency for the Management of the Dead and Missing Persons Cluster provided for under the National Disaster Response Plan, shall coordinate with local government units to take the lead in the final arrangement and disposition of the dead. As stipulated in the above-mentioned Circular, LGUs shall also be responsible in acquiring adequate supply of cadaver bags that are compliant to the specifications set by the Department of Health (DOH).

2.0 Purpose

The purpose of the policy is to provide guidance to local chief executives on the logistical requirements with corresponding specifications for the management of the dead and missing persons.

3.0 Scope/Coverage

All Provincial Governors, City and Municipal Mayors, Punong Barangays, DILG Regional Directors, ARMM Regional Governor, and all others concerned

4.0 Policy Content and Guidelines

- 4.1. The DOH has provided the following recommended specifications for the procurement of cadaver bags:
 - 4.1.1. Size specifications
 - 4.1.1.1. Large (standard 220cm x 80cm)
 - 4.1.1.2. With stronghold carrying strap on each side
 - 4.1.1.3. Strap size is 1 ½" width, approximately 26" length
 - 4.1.1.4. Strap color is white
 - 4.1.1.5. C-shaped opening with heavy duty zipper
 - 4.1.1.6. Zipper with lock
 - 4.1.1.7. Zipper size is 8"
 - 4.1.2. Material specifications
 - 4.1.2.1. Heavy duty, non-porous, leak-proof plastic
 - 4.1.2.2. Color white

4.1.3. Pocket ID specifications

- 4.1.3.1. With built-in identification pocket on the opposite side
- 4.1.3.2. Thick transparent plastic
- 4.1.3.3. Size is 8" in width, 10" in length
- 4.1.3.4. With white zipper lock on top of pocket and white piping around the pocket

4.2. The Department encourages all LCEs to perform the following actions:

- 4.2.1. Procure a minimum of 50 cadaver bags as stockpile and preposition in identified strategic areas; and
- 4.2.2. Augment part of the stockpile to neighboring LGUs in times of immediate necessity during emergencies and disasters.

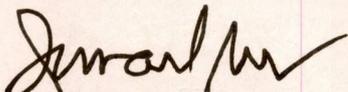
4.3. All LGUs may utilize part of the 70% preparedness fund out of the 5% local DRRM fund for the expenses, subject to the availability thereof and to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

4.4. All DILG Regional Directors are hereby directed to cause the widest dissemination of this Memorandum Circular.

5.0 Effectivity

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.

6.0 Approving Authority


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7.0 Feedback



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