



# Legal Watch

## CUSTOMS ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 01-2026



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### SUMMARY

This Customs Administrative Order amends CAO No. 07-2022 on the accreditation of importers. It extends the validity of customs accreditation from one year to three years from the date of issuance of the Certificate of Accreditation, unless suspended, revoked, or cancelled. It also introduces an Annual Reportorial Compliance requirement, which accredited importers must submit within 30 days from their accreditation anniversary date. Failure to submit the report may result in a Notice of Non-Compliance, and continued non-compliance may lead to suspension or revocation of accreditation. The issuance also provides rules on automatic renewal of accreditation for qualified importers, including those with six consecutive years of accreditation without adverse history, as well as Authorized Economic Operator or Super Green Lane accredited importers.

### ACTIONABLE ADVICE

Concerned entities should review their accreditation status, anniversary date, and compliance calendar to ensure timely submission of the requirements for renewal and to ensure that all accreditation-related records remain accurate and up to date.

Critically, concerned entities must implement a process to comply with the new **Annual Reportorial Compliance** requirement by submitting the report within 30 days from each accreditation anniversary date, including assigning responsible personnel, setting advance reminders, and retaining proof of submission. They should also maintain updated corporate, tax, business, warehouse, and officer information, and promptly document any changes in business circumstances for this purpose.

Importers seeking automatic renewal should verify whether they meet the eligibility requirements, prepare the required affidavits, clearances, proof of payment, and supporting documents, and file the application through the Customer Care Portal System at least seven working days before expiration. Importers should treat non-compliance seriously, as failure to address a Notice of Non-Compliance may result in suspension for a first violation and revocation for a second violation.

#### \* Agency Name

Bureau of Customs (BOC)

#### \* Issuance Title

Amendments to CAO No. 07-2022 on the Accreditation of Importers

#### \* Issuance Date

14 April 2026

#### \* Link

<https://customs.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/2026/04/2026CAO-01-2026.pdf>

