



Legal Watch

FDA CIRCULAR NO. 2026-0002



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* Agency Name

Food and Drug Administration
(FDA)

* Issuance Title

Guidelines on the Use of
Electronic Services (eServices)
System for the Registration of
Processed Food Products
Repealing FDA Circular No.
2020-033

* Issuance Date

4 June 2026

* Link

<https://www.fda.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/2026/06/FDA-Circular-No.2026-0002-20260213122417.pdf>

SUMMARY

The FDA issued new guidelines governing the use of its upgraded eServices System for the electronic registration of processed food products, repealing FDA Circular No. 2020-033. The Circular applies to all processed and pre-packaged food products, except locally manufactured milk and dairy products. Upon full implementation, all registration activities must be conducted exclusively through the eServices System at <https://eservices.fda.gov.ph/>. Applications initially filed through the ePortal for renewal or amendment will remain valid. However, any subsequent applications should be filed through the new system. In the case of timely renewals, the remaining validity period of the existing CPR will be carried over to the renewed CPR. The Circular also introduces OTP-based verification tied to the applicant company's official email address and removes the requirement for product sample submission.

ACTIONABLE ADVICE

Food business operators should familiarize themselves with the new eServices System and its procedural requirements. Companies with pending or upcoming CPR applications should verify whether their filings fall under the old ePortal or the new system, as the applicable transition rules differ depending on the original filing platform. Regulatory affairs teams should also ensure that the company's official email address reflected in their LTO is current, as it will serve as the default for all eServices communications and OTP verification.

