

NOTICE

ТО	:	ALL CONCERNED
SUBJECT	:	ZERO FACE-TO-FACE TRANSACTION IN SEC MAIN OFFICE FROM 13 JANUARY 2022 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
DATE	:	11 JANUARY 2022

In view of the fresh surge in COVID-19 cases particularly in the National Capital Region, the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) shall adopt a **"Zero Face-to-Face Transaction"** policy in its main office within the PICC Complex in Pasay City and former headquarters along EDSA in Mandaluyong City, **from 13 January 2022 until further notice**.

The Commission shall accept and process all applications for company registration, submissions of reportorial requirements, and other transactions through its online portals, email, courier and other remote means. The interim guidelines are attached; other procedures will be added or issued separately.

The Commission shall maintain a skeleton workforce and implement other alternative work arrangements to ensure uninterrupted delivery of services despite the adjustments in its operations. Interim hotline numbers have likewise been activated.

For queries and other concerns, the public may contact the concerned departments or offices at the mobile phone numbers and email addresses provided in the attached SEC Contact Center, which is also posted on <u>www.sec.gov.ph/contact-us/</u>.

The public is encouraged to monitor the Commission's website at <u>www.sec.gov.ph</u> and official Facebook page at <u>www.facebook.com/PhilippineSEC</u>, as well as download the SEC Check App on Google Play Store, for updates.

For your information and guidance.



INTERIM GUIDELINES ON AVAILING OF SEC ONLINE SERVICES

as of 11 January 2022

I. COMPANY REGISTRATION

All applications for the registration of domestic stock and nonstock corporations and for the recording of partnerships and licenses to do business for foreign corporations shall be made through the Commission's new electronic registration system.

1. Electronic Simplified Processing of Application for Registration of Company (eSPARC)

The facility, which may be accessed at <u>http://esparc.sec.gov.ph/application</u>, allows an applicant or their duly appointed representative to submit the proposed company name and input the details of its articles of incorporation online.

Once an application is reviewed and cleared for payment, the applicant may pay the registration and/or license fees specified on the Payment Assessment Form (PAF), which may be paid online as well.

The original, printed, signed and/or notarized/authenticated¹ documentary requirements, along with the proof of payment, may be submitted through courier to the following address:

SEC Company Registration and Monitoring Department (CRMD) 1F, Secretariat Building Philippine International Convention Center (PICC) Complex Roxas Boulevard Pasay City

The transacting public shall avail of the services of courier companies of their choice or through the Commission's in-house courier service called "SEC a-LISTO." Applicants shall select shipping solutions with prepaid return services or include a prepaid return pouch or envelope in their submissions.

For inquiries about the services offered by SEC a-LISTO, the public may call 0960-891-4290 and 0995-005-3451, or send an email to <u>listodeliveryservices@gmail.com</u>.

¹ The Commission accepts for registration Articles of Incorporation that are accompanied by a Certificate of Authentication signed by all incorporators in the form prescribed. See SEC Memorandum Circular No. 16, Series of 2020 for the Guidelines on Authentication of Articles of Incorporation in Applications for Registration of New Domestic Corporations at https://www.sec.gov.ph/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/SECMCNo16_1.pdf.



The Commission shall deliver the printed Certificate of Incorporation/ Registration, Certificate of Registration of Associated Persons or License to the mailing address provided by the applicant in the online application form.

2. One-day Submission and E-registration of Companies (OneSEC)

OneSEC is a subsystem of eSPARC. It currently accepts and processes applications for registration of domestic stock corporations, which may be One Person Corporations or corporations with two to 15 incorporators, board of directors and stockholders.

OneSEC requires minimal encoding of data on the part of applicants, with most of the company information already pre-filled. The entire registration process, including the issuance of the Digital Certificate of Incorporation, may be completed within one day.

3. Email Application for Other CRMD Transactions

All other applications with the CRMD such as Amendments, Monitoring, Certificate of No Derogatory Information, Increase and Decrease of Capital, Merger, Consolidation, Petition for Correction may be made through email. Refer to the SEC Contact Center for the email addresses dedicated for such applications.

Submissions required for processed/approved CRMD applications may only be transmitted by the company's representatives through a courier of their choice or through SEC a-LISTO.

II. SUBMISSION OF REPORTS AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

The Commission shall not accept manual and mailed submissions in its main office in Pasay City and former headquarters in Ortigas, Mandaluyong City. No dropbox shall likewise be provided for the submission of printed reports.

1. Electronic Filing and Submission Tool (eFAST)

The public may submit the following reports through the SEC Electronic Filing and Submission Tool (eFAST), which may be accessed at <u>https://cifss-ost.sec.gov.ph/</u>:

- a. Annual Financial Statements (AFS)
- b. General Information Sheet (GIS)
- c. Sworn Statement for Foundation (SSF)/ Nonstock, Non-profit Organizations (NSPO) Forms
- d. General Form for Financial Statements (GFFS)
- e. Special Form for Financial Statements (SFFS)



- f. Affidavit of Non-Operation (ANO), to be filed with the AFS/GIS
- g. Affidavit of Non-Holding of Annual Meeting (ANHAM), to be filed with the GIS

Under <u>SEC Memorandum Circular No. 3, Series of 2021</u>, all stock corporations were required to enroll and submit their reports through eFAST in time for last year's filing season. Nonstock corporations, meanwhile, were required to submit their reports through eFAST starting this year.

In a <u>Notice dated 22 December 2021</u>, however, the Commission extended the enrollment period to 31 March 2022. Accordingly, all corporations, whether stock or nonstock, shall be required to submit their reports through eFAST effective 01 April 2022.

Among the requirements for enrollment is a copy of the company's report in compliance with <u>SEC Memorandum Circular No. 28</u>, <u>Series of 2020</u> (MC 28), which requires corporations and other entities registered with the Commission to designate their official and alternate mobile phone numbers and email addresses.

Those who have not submitted their MC 28 Reports, as well as those who wish to update their contact details, may file the accomplished forms online at <u>https://apps010.sec.gov.ph</u>, as announced in a <u>Notice dated 07 January 2022</u>.

Those who encountered errors in the eFAST enrollment may immediately call 0975-223-3958, 0930-838-7807, 0927-034-8654, 0930-838-7938, and 0966-876-0267, or send an email to <u>inquiry ost1@sec.gov.ph</u> and <u>inquiry ost2@sec.gov.ph</u>.

Those who encountered errors in their eFAST submissions after enrollment may call 0997-093-6460 or 0966-429-1332.

To learn about the requirements and procedures, please watch: <u>https://fb.watch/59PYcJ1QR/</u>.

2. Email Submission

Reports, documents and other communications which are not yet covered by eFAST may be submitted through email at <u>ictdsubmission@sec.gov.ph</u>.

Companies with secondary licenses and/or subject to special reportorial requirements shall likewise comply with the guidelines issued by the departments or units supervising them in submitting their reports.

III. REQUEST FOR SEC DOCUMENTS



The public may request for plain and/or authenticated copies of documents submitted by corporations to the Commission through the SEC Express System.

All documents requested through the system shall be delivered to the mailing address of the applicant through courier within 10 to 15 days.

1. Online Application

The public may request for SEC documents through a user-friendly, web-based interface that includes online payment and courier delivery of the requested documents nationwide by filling out an online request form at <u>http://www.secexpress.ph</u>.

2. Call Center Facility

The public may call (02) 8737-8888 to request for SEC documents, choose the mode of payment, and arrange for the delivery of the requested document.

IV. PAYMENTS

The public may avail of online and cashless payment options through the Electronic System for Payment to the SEC (eSPAYSEC), which may be accessed at <u>https://espaysec.sec.gov.ph/</u>.

eSPAYSEC accepts payments for registration and other transaction fees, as well as penalties, using debit and credit cards, digital wallets and other cashless payment options.

V. OTHER TRANSACTIONS

Other transactions such as applications for secondary licenses, as well as submissions of other requests requiring the payment of fees, documents and communications, may be emailed to the office or department concerned. Refer to the SEC Contact Center for the respective email addresses of the processing offices and departments.



SEC CONTACT CENTER

MATTERS OF CONCERN	EMAIL ADDRESS/ WEBSITE	PHONE NUMBER	
Information & Communications Technology Department			
Enrollment in the SEC Online Submission Tool (OST) or Electronic Filing and Submission Tool (eFAST)	inquiry_ost1@sec.gov.ph inquiry_ost2@sec.gov.ph To learn about the requirements and procedures, please watch: <u>https://fb.watch/59PYcJ1QR/</u>	0975-223-3958 0966-876-0267 0930-838-7807 0927-034-8654 0930-838-7938	
Online Submission of Annual Financial Statements (AFS), General Information Sheet (GIS) and Other Reports using the eFAST		0997-093-6460 0966-429-1332	
Request for Copies of SEC documents	https://secexpress.ph	8737-8888	
Company Registration and Monitoring Department			
Request for Monitoring and Status of Ordinary Domestic Corporations	crmd_monitoring@sec.gov.ph		
Request for Regular Monitoring of Foreign Corporations (Branch Offices, Representative Office, Regional Headquarters (RHQ) and Regional Operating Headquarters (ROHQ)		ec.gov.ph	
Request for Monitoring with Amendment and Other Applications	cmd_amendment_monitoring@sec.gov.ph		
Petition to Lift Order of Revocation/ Suspension	cmd_petitiontolift_suspension-revocation@sec.gov.ph		
Monitoring Inquiries	0956-885-3615		
Public Assistance Service of CRMD by Answering Email Queries	crmd_publicassistance@sec.gov.ph		



Inquiries of Pending Applications/ Submission of Supplemental Requirements for Registrant OPC (e.g., FIA Forms/ Authenticated Board Resolutions)	crmd_registration_opc@sec.gov.ph
Inquiries on Pending Applications/ Submission of Supplemental Requirements for Registrant Corporations with Less Than Five Incorporators (e.g., FIA Forms/ Authenticated Board Resolutions)	crmd_registration_234@sec.gov.ph
Inquiries of Pending Applications/ Submission of Supplemental Requirements for Registrant Regular Corporations (5 to 15 incorporators) (e.g., FIA Forms/ Authenticated Board Resolutions)	crmd_registration_regular@sec.gov.ph
Inquiries on Status of Issuance of Certificates of Incorporation	cprd_appointment01@sec.gov.ph
Application for Amendment of Articles of Incorporation other than Article VII/ By- laws and Articles of Partnership	crmd_emer_amend1@sec.gov.ph
Application for Amendment/ Conversion of SEC Licenses of Foreign Corporations/ Withdrawal of SEC License/ Substitution of Resident Agent	crmd_amend_foreign@sec.gov.ph
Inquiries on Status of Issuance of Certificates of Amendment of Articles of Incorporation, By-laws/ License	cprd_appointment02@sec.gov.ph
Actions (Two Party Complaints/ Petitions) such as: Petition for Revocation, Change of Name, Voluntary Dissolution not prejudicial to the interests of creditors and Other complaints that may fall within CRMD jurisdiction under 2016 Rules of Procedures	cprd_2partycomplaints-petitions@sec.gov.ph
Petition for Correction	cprd_petitionforcorrection@sec.gov.ph



Follow-up/ Inquiry on status of applications for registration and amendment	0956-885-3714
Public Assistance/ Follow-up of CPRD Applications	0956-885-3712
Public Assistance Queries	0998-841-3548 8818-7187 8818-8803
Amendments of Secondary License (Additional/Removal of Funds)	lu_application01@sec.gov.ph
Transfer Agent Renewal	lu_application02@sec.gov.ph
Request for issuance of Certificate of Paid- up capital/ Capital structure	faad_application01@sec.gov.ph
Petition for Cancellation or Substitution of Payment in relation to the use of properties that require Ownership Registration as Paid-up Capital (SEC Memorandum Circular No. 14, Series of 2013)	faad_petitionapplication@sec.gov.ph
Application of Corporate Reorganization	faad_application02@sec.gov.ph
Creation of APIC, Confirmation of Valuation and Property Dividend Application	faad_application03@sec.gov.ph
Issuance of Acknowledgment Letter for Cash Dividend and Stock Dividend	faad_application04@sec.gov.ph
Quasi Reorganization and Equity restructuring	faad_application05@sec.gov.ph



Article 7 (Increase and Decrease of Capital Stock) reclassification/ declassification/ conversion of shares and change par	faad_application06@sec.gov.ph			
Monitoring for FAAD Applications	faad_monitoring@sec.gov.ph			
Inquiries of requirements and/or procedures of applications under FAAD and other related concerns and clarifications	0977-603-5915			
Request for Certificates of No Derogatory Records/ Affirmative/ Negative	cfrd_application02@sec.gov.ph			
Request of Authenticated Copies for Government Agencies	cfrd_application01@sec.gov.ph			
Follow up and query of all kinds of Certificates, Certified True Copies (CTC) of documents, registration and loss of books, monitoring clearance	0945-570-3964			
Corporate Governance and Finance Dep	artment			
Corporate Governance, Mutual Fund Companies, Financing and Lending Companies, Foundations, Accredited Microfinance NGOs	cgfd@sec.gov.ph	0967-365-7324 0926-017-0248		
Markets and Securities Regulation Depar	Markets and Securities Regulation Department			
Securities Registration Division PLCs and other regulated entities • Registration of Securities • Structured Reports Market and Intermediaries Division Brokers, Dealers, Other Market Participants, Publicly Listed Companies Filing of Annual Reports and Other Regulatory Reports	msrd_covid19@sec.gov.ph	0916-383-8633		



Enforcement and Investor Protection Dep	artment	
Investigation, Cease and Desist Order (CDO), Revocation Proceedings	epd@sec.gov.ph	0961-519-7829 0931-141-0788
Mandatory Disclosure Form (MDF), Compliance with Anti-Money Laundering Act (AMLA) Requirements, Investigation, Cease and Desist Order (CDO), Revocation Proceedings	eipd-amld@sec.gov.ph	0951-949-8920 0961-713-1472 0951-656-5571 8818-6337 8818-0921 (loc. 208) 8818-0921 (loc. 280)
Economic Research and Training Departr	nent	
Certification Examinations and Seminar	certification@sec.gov.ph	0998-841-3545
<i>Top 1,000 Corporations Publication and Certification of Company Rank</i>	ersd@sec.gov.ph	0998-841-3544
Statistics		
Financial Management Department		
Payment of Filing Fees	dbpabuaya@sec.gov.ph rbtan@sec.gov.ph cabrown@sec.gov.ph	0966-527-2050
Office of the General Counsel		
Filing of Petition and Appeal		
Filing of Request for Legal Opinion	ogc_picc@sec.gov.ph	
Public Assistance on Legal Queries		
Office of the General Accountant		
Accreditation of Auditing Firms, External Auditors, Financial Reporting, Audit Issues	secoga@sec.gov.ph	0961-605-1968 8818-9763; and 8818-6120
Office of the Commission Secretary		
Request for Certified True Copy of Resolution	comsec@sec.gov.ph	8291-9613 0969-479-1718



SEC Extension Offices		
SEC Baguio	secbaguio@sec.gov.ph	0945-356-4001 0939-325-3657 (074) 309-5804
SEC Tarlac		
Increase in capital/eSPARC		0992-379-2157
SEC eSPARC	secteo@sec.gov.ph	0926-902-2405
Amendments		0931-791-4841
Monitoring		0915-358-1041 0992 379 2110
OST, Receiving, CTC		0950-029-5715
Other inquiries		0948-133-2685
SEC Legazpi		
Reportorial Requirements Online Submission Tool Requests for Certificate of Good Standing Monitoring		0915-354-4131
Company Registration Requests for authenticated copies of documents Other concerns	secbicol@sec.gov.ph	0929-883-1917
Amendments		0977-039-2820
SEC Cebu		
Information/ Officer of the Day		0915-590-7180
Records	seccebu@sec.gov.ph	(032) 416-9339
Releasing		(032) 412-7091



Monitoring/Legal/Accounting		(032) 412-7091
SEC Cebu Satellite Office (Robinsons Galleria)		0969-211-9012
SEC Bacolod	sec.bcdextension@gmail.com secbacolod2018@gmail.com	(034) 445-5713 (034) 445-5174 09616035772 09055688256
SEC Iloilo	sec_ieo6@yahoo.com reports_iloilo@sec.gov.ph	(033) 337-9984 (033) 335-0025
SEC Cagayan de Oro	sec-cdoeo@sec.gov.ph	(088) 857-7225 (088) 327-3309
SEC Davao	secdavao@gmail.com	0915-327-4459 0933-455-3547
SEC Zamboanga	sec_zeo@yahoo.com.ph reports_zeo@sec.gov.ph	(062) 991-7163 0956-226-0229