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### MEMORANDUM

28 September 2021

To: **Regional Directors and BARMM Education Minister  
Schools Division Superintendents  
Regional Sports Officers  
All Others Concerned**

Subject: **PHILIPPINE ESKRIMA KALI ARNIS FEDERATION (PEKAF)  
ONLINE ACCREDITATION-SEMINAR FOR ANYO JUDGES  
AND TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

To support the Department of Education's programs on school sports as well as promote and propagate Arnis as the national sport and martial art per Republic Act (RA) 9850, the Office of the Undersecretary for Administration (OUA) hereby announces the **Online Accreditation-Seminar for Anyo Judges and Technical Officials** from October 2021 to February 2022.

This will be conducted by the Philippine Eskrima Kali Arnis Federation (PEKAF), the recognized national sports association (NSA) for Arnis, in coordination with the Bureau of Learner Support Services – School Sports Division (BLSS–SSD).

The activity aims to update and orient the judges and technical officials on the latest rules and current trends in Arnis, specifically in Anyo. Further, it aims to educate participants who are interested to officiate in the said sport.

The target participants are Arnis coaches, P.E. teachers, and/or local Arnis technical officials who have officiated in the lower or regional meets. Those without Arnis experience may also participate provided that they are very much willing to learn the sport.

The PEKAF will accommodate **40 participants per region**. The Regional Sports Officers (RSOs) shall submit the list of participants from their respective regions to the BLSS–SSD via email at [blss.ssd@deped.gov.ph](mailto:blss.ssd@deped.gov.ph) **not later than 08 October 2021**. The list must contain the participant's significant information such as email address (preferably DepEd email), mobile number, division, and school.



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All concerned are enjoined to authorize the target participants under their jurisdiction to participate in the aforementioned activity.

Enclosed herewith are the following documents for reference:

- a. **Letter from Senator Juan Miguel F. Zubiri**, Chairman and President, PEKAF
- b. **Guidelines on the PEKAF Online Accreditation-Seminar for Anyo Judges and Technical Officials**

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For immediate and wide dissemination.

  
  
**ALAIN DEL B. PASCUA**  
Undersecretary



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# **GUIDELINES ON THE PHILIPPINE ESKRIMA KALI ARNIS FEDERATION (PEKAF) ONLINE ACCREDITATION-SEMINAR FOR ANYO JUDGES AND TECHNICAL OFFICIALS**

## **I. Rationale**

The Department of Education (DepEd) through the Bureau of Learner Support Services – School Sports Division (BLSS–SSD) aims to productively lead in the advancement of teachers’ field of specialization to contribute to regional and national development. One of the goals of the Department is to advocate progressive development projects for sports which will result in the improvement of public school teachers’ capabilities in the said field.

To support this objective, the BLSS–SSD has implemented a comprehensive system of capacity-building for public school teachers involved in sports. This includes training on specific sports skills and accreditation of teachers as technical officials and coaches through seminars, among others. These allowed them to render services in DepEd-sanctioned sports events such as the *Palarong Pambansa*.

To ensure the effective implementation of its programs and projects, the BLSS–SSD recognizes the need to strengthen its roster of technical officials, particularly for Arnis, as part of its commitment to support the promotion and propagation of the national sport and martial art in accordance with Republic Act (RA) 9850.

In this connection, the Philippine Eskrima Kali Arnis Federation (PEKAF), as the recognized National Sports Association (NSA) for Arnis and the national governing body for the conduct of Arnis sports events in the country, recognizes the significant role of DepEd in the propagation of Arnis at the grassroots level and in the continuous development of the pool of national athletes for the said sport.

The improvement and capability-building of PEKAF members, particularly coaches, masters, teachers, and technical officials are integral to the mandate of the Federation. This is also to ensure proper implementation and interpretation of the official PEKAF rules.

It is the policy of the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), the national agency for sports, to employ only accredited technical officials in competitions like *Batang Pinoy*, Philippine National Games (PNG), Women’s Martial Arts Festival, and other PSC-sanctioned events. Recognized NSAs which are tapped in PSC events provide the Commission with accredited officials.

With all these in consideration, the PEKAF, in coordination with the BLSS-SSD, intends to conduct the **Online Accreditation-Seminar for Anyo Judges and Technical Officials**.



After 17 regional accreditations, the PEKAF and BLSS–SSD will conduct the regional tournaments and a national tournament in lieu of the *Palarong Pambansa*.

## II. Protocol

1. The rules and regulations of the Inter-Agency Task Force for the Management of Emerging Infectious Diseases (IATF) should be strictly followed. Hence, there will be no face-to-face interactions during the activity.
2. The following requirements should be available for each participant to qualify for the Accreditation-Seminar:
  - a. Hardware requirements:
    - i. computer (desktop/laptop) or tablet (for online lectures);
    - ii. internet-capable mobile phones (for secured Viber communications and speedy instructions); and
    - iii. Wi-Fi or stable internet connection.
  - b. Software requirements:
    - i. Viber app account using mobile phone number;
    - ii. Gmail account (example: juandelacruz@gmail.com); and
    - iii. Google Classroom/Google Meet.
3. Participants (both male and female) should have the concurrence of the Regional Sports Officer (RSO). Their names should be included in the roster to be prepared and submitted by the RSO to the BLSS–SSD.
4. The list of participants from Regional Offices (ROs) should be submitted two weeks before the start of the Seminar.
5. A maximum of 40 participants per region may participate in the activity.
6. Arnis coaches, P.E. teachers, or local Arnis technical officials who have officiated in lower or regional meets are given preference, but those without Arnis experience may be accommodated as long as they are very much willing to learn.
7. The entries may be submitted through the following procedures:
  - a. a participant secures a slot if he/she can comply with the hardware and software requirements, and provided that he/she is included in the regional list of participants by applying to his/her respective RSO;
  - b. the RSOs shall submit the regional lists of participants to the Central Office through the BLSS–SSD; and
  - c. the BLSS–SSD shall submit the regional lists to PEKAF through the Accreditation Committee headed by its Chairman.



### III. Program of Activities

Prior to the first day of activities, a Google classroom and Viber group shall be organized per region.

#### Day 1 (Friday)

Time	Topic	Materials/Supplies
8:00-9:00 a.m.	Opening Ceremony	Videos and presentations
9:00-10:00 a.m.	Introduction to PEKAF	PowerPoint presentation
10:00-10:30 a.m.	Break	
10:30-11:30 a.m.	Forms, Competitions, International Stage, and Foreign Martial Arts	PowerPoint presentation and Videos
12:00-1:00 p.m.	Lunch break	
1:00-4:00 p.m.	Lecture on PEKAF Anyo Rules	PowerPoint presentation
4:00 p.m.	Announcements and Dismissal	

#### Day 2 (Saturday)

Time	Topic	Materials/Supplies
8:00-9:00 a.m.	Continuation: Lecture on PEKAF Anyo Rules	PowerPoint presentation
9:00-10:00 a.m.	Protocols on Online Tournaments	PowerPoint presentation
10:00-10:30 a.m.	Break	
10:30-12:00 noon	Organizing a Sports Club Tournament Management	PowerPoint presentation
12:00-1:00 p.m.	Lunch break	
1:00-2:00 p.m.	Review of Practical Application	PowerPoint presentation
2:00-4:00 p.m.	Practical Exams	Videos, Practical Exams, Google Classroom
4:00 p.m.	Announcements and Dismissal	

#### Day 3 (Sunday)

Time	Topic	Materials/Supplies
1:00-2:00 p.m.	Review	
2:00-3:00 p.m.	Written Examination (100 points)	Google Classroom, Written Exam
3:00-4:00 p.m.	Talk by PEKAF Directors	EVP Message
4:00-5:00 p.m.	Closing Ceremonies	

The three-day event shall feature the following:

#### 1. Lectures

##### a. Introduction to PEKAF

This shall cover the organization's activities and accomplishments since 2017.

##### b. The International Stage

This topic will focus on how foreign martial arts are improving and adjusting to modern needs.



This will be a form of benchmarking with other martial arts and other countries in order to improve what we have in the Philippines.

**c. Comprehensive Lecture on the PEKAF Anyo Rules**

This will explain in detail the differences between Anyo events, including individual, team (synchronized group), male, female, traditional, non-traditional, single weapon, double weapon, and open form.

**2. Application**

- a. With the use of the prescribed and official PEKAF rules, the program holders shall provide a step-by-step instruction and guide on how to do actual scoring of various Anyo forms.
- b. The participants will learn and apply the following protocols in judging Anyo competitions:

No.	Protocol	Notes
i.	Drawing lots to determine the athletes' order of performance	This may be done manually (face-to-face) or through a computer program designed for this purpose.
ii.	Scoring for a specific criterion of the Anyo using the actual judges' score sheet.	This may be executed manually or through a computer program.
iii.	Inputting scores submitted by different judges	<p>This entails the following:</p> <p><b>(1)</b> averaging scores after removing the highest and lowest values to prevent biases,  <b>(2)</b> getting net scores after subtracting violations (e.g., line, time, disarm, etc.), and  <b>(3)</b> finalizing the score for ranking.</p> <p>This may be done manually for face-to-face performances or through an automated computer program.</p>

**3. Examination**

- a. Online practical exams will be given wherein participants are graded for accuracy in scoring using a standard set of criteria. This will be featured in the seminar. Participants will be asked to score (online) a total of 10 performances on the different Anyo under the rules of PEKAF.



This shall ensure that the participants are well-abreast with all types of Anyo performances with the most updated protocols (a total of 100 points).

- b. An online written exam will be administered to test the participants' theoretical and conceptual knowledge of the Anyo Rules. This will be a 100-point exam.

#### IV. Matrix for Learning, Assessment, and Rank Conferment

No.	Area	Method of Delivery
1.	Lecture	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Three (3) days will be divided between AM and PM Sessions. Lectures will run for 3 hours in the morning and 3 hours in the afternoon, including online demonstrations and video-showing of skills.</li> </ul>
2.	Practical Skills Teaching	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Practical skills will be taught through online demonstrations and videos.</li> </ul>
3.	Practical Skills Demonstration	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Participants will act as Anyo judges and technical officials, showing the skills they learned, as they submit their scores of the Anyo videos presented to them as a simulation of actual live performances.</li> </ul>
4.	Practical Skills Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 10 practical exams will be given. Upon submission of the judges' scoresheets, rubrics will be used to evaluate the participants' performance.</li> <li>▪ This shall accumulate a total of 100 points.</li> <li>▪ The passing score is 70%.</li> </ul>
5.	Theoretical Knowledge Evaluation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ A 100-item written exam will be given online.</li> <li>▪ The passing score is 70%.</li> </ul>
6.	Temporary Rank	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The scores from the practical and written exams will be averaged and the result will be recorded. The participants will be given a temporary rank until practicum is served.</li> <li>▪ The final rank will be confirmed after the practicum (through an online Anyo tournament).</li> <li>▪ Certificates of Participation shall be issued.</li> </ul>
7.	Overall Sport Specific Performance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ The temporary rank will be confirmed upon completion of the practicum (online tournament)</li> <li>▪ Certificates of Accreditation will be issued (valid for 3 years).</li> </ul>





## V. Schedule

Batch	Seminar Dates (2021-2022)	Region
1	October 15, 16, 17	I – Ilocos Region
2	October 22, 23, 24	II – Cagayan Valley Region
3	October 29, 30, 31	III – Central Luzon Region
4	November 5, 6, 7	Cordillera Administrative Region (CAR)
5	November 12, 13, 14	IV-A – CALABARZON Region
6	November 19, 20, 21	IV-B – MIMAROPA Region
7	November 26, 27, 28	V – Bicol Region
8	December 3, 4, 5	VI – Western Visayas Region
9	December 10, 11, 12	VII – Central Visayas Region
10	January 7, 8, 9	VIII – Eastern Visayas Region
11	January 14, 15, 16	IX – Zamboanga Peninsula Region
12	January 21, 22, 23	X – Northern Mindanao Region
13	January 28, 29, 30	XI – Davao Region
14	February 4, 5, 6	XII – SOCCSKSARGEN Region
15	February 11, 12, 13	XIII – CARAGA Region
16	February 18, 19, 20	Bangsamoro Autonomous Region in Muslim Mindanao (BARMM)
17	February 25, 26, 27	National Capital Region (NCR)

## VI. Benefits of Accredited Technical Officials

1. Eligibility to be tapped in official DepEd, PSC and PEKAF sports events
2. Possible credit for rank promotion



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# PHILIPPINE ESKRIMA KALI ARNIS FEDERATION, INC.

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22 September 2021

## **UNDERSECRETARY ALAIN DEL B. PASCUA**

Department of Education  
DepEd Complex, Meralco Avenue  
Pasig City

Dear **Undersecretary Pascua**:

The **Philippine Eskrima Kali Arnis Federation (PEKAF)** is the **National Sports Association (NSA)** recognized by the Philippine Sports Commission (PSC), and Associate Member of the Philippine Olympic Committee. Our NSA is tasked to serve as the governing body for Arnis in our country. It can be recalled that the Department of Education formally announced the use of PEKAF Rules in DepEd Competitions as approved by the *Palarong Pambansa* Board in 2018.

We likewise wish to underscore that thirteen (13) members of the Philippine National Arnis Team were products and champions of the Palarong Pambansa Arnis games. Moreover, most of them delivered well during the last 30<sup>th</sup> Southeast Asian Games in 2019.

In 2019, a proposal and verbal agreement was made in my Senate Office with the Department of Education that our NSA will conduct Accreditation Seminars and other capacity-building trainings to help the Department of Education with the proper implementation of R.A. 9850 or An Act Declaring Arnis as the National Martial Art and Sports of the Philippines. Follow up meetings were held in early 2020 between my Chief Legislative Officer, Mr. Davidson Torres and School Sports Division Chief, Mr. Cesar Abalon. The project was eventually postponed due to the COVID-19 Pandemic.

In this regard, our Federation intends to conduct a series of online forms competitions in the near future and would like to engage the participation of DepEd teachers as our Technical Officials.

Our Accreditation Committee headed by Prof. Richardson C. Gialogo, recently concluded the first ever PEKAF Online Accreditation for Anyo Judges with mostly DepEd teachers from Luzon, Visayas, Mindanao and NCR as participants last May 14-16, 2021. By virtue of Republic Act 9850, the Department of Education is one of many government agencies mandated to implement this Law. Part of this effort is our continuous partnership with DepEd.





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In line with these, we would like to commence the planned Accreditation Seminar via online. Attached are the Guidelines for the PEKAF Online Accreditation for Anyo Judges and Technical Officials.

For coordination on the matter, you or your office may contact my staff and PEKAF Executive Director Mr. Andrus Dominic Lachayo through mobile number 09173224822.

Thank you very much.

Very truly yours,

**SEN. JUAN MIGUEL F. ZUBIRI**  
*Chairman and President*

