

## Republic of the Philippines COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS Intramuros, Intramuros, Manila

RULES AND REGULATIONS GARCIA, George Erwin M. Chairperson ON THE CONDUCT OF RAFFLE INTING, Socorro B. OF PARTY-LIST GROUPS TO CASQUEJO, Marlon S. DETERMINE THE ORDER OF FEROLINO, Aimee P. LISTING IN THE OFFICIAL BULAY, Rey E. BALLOT IN WITH THE 2025 NATIONAL CELIS, Nelson J. AND LOCAL ELECTIONS

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SOLITION NO. 11000

## RESOLUTION NO. 11068

WHEREAS, the Commission on Elections has the power to enforce and administer all laws and regulations relative to the conduct of an election, plebiscite, initiative, referendum, and recall pursuant to Section 2 (1), Article IX-C of the 1987 Constitution;

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 10001 (Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of Raffle of Accredited Party-List Groups to Determine the Order of their Listing on the Official Ballot) was promulgated on 5 October 2015, providing the schedule, rules and regulations for the conduct of raffle of accredited partylist groups and applicants for accreditation under the party-list system with pending cases to determine the order of their listing on the official ballot in connection with the 08 May 2015 National and Local Elections;

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 10448 (In the Matter of Adopting with Modification Pertinent Provisions of Resolution No. 10001 or the "Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of Raffle of Accredited Party-List Groups to Determine the Order of their Listing on the Official Ballot) was promulgated on 22 November 2018, adopting and modifying Resolution No. 10001;

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 10733 (Rules and Regulations for the Conduct of Raffle of Party-list Groups to Determine the Order of their Listing on the Official Ballot in Connection with the 2022 National and Local Elections, Partially Amending Resolution No. 10695) was promulgated on 24 November 2021;

WHEREAS, Resolution No. 10999 was promulgated on 24 May 2024, entitled "Calendar of Activities and Periods of Certain Prohibited Acts in Connection with the May 12, 2025 National and Local Elections (NLE), and BARMM Parliamentary Elections";

WHEREAS, for purposes of the preparation of the ballots for the 2025 National and Local Elections, there is a need to adopt with modification pertinent provisions of Resolution Nos. 10733, 10448, and 10001;

WHEREFORE, IN VIEW OF THE FOREGOING, the Commission RESOLVED as it hereby RESOLVES, to promulgate the rules and regulations on the conduct of raffle of party-list groups to determine the order of listing in the official ballot for the 2025 National and Local Elections:

**SECTION 1.** Who Shall Participate. – The following party-list groups, organizations, and coalitions shall be allowed to participate in the raffle for purposes of determining the order of listing in the official ballot:

- 1. Existing party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions with:
  - a. Active registration on the day of the raffle; and
  - b. Duly-filed *Manifestation of Intent to Participate in the Party-List System* that was given due course by the Commission.
- 2. Newly registered party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions with timely-filed *Manifestation of Intent to Participate in the Party-List System* that was given due course by the Commission.

Participation in the raffle is without prejudice to the exclusion in the official ballot or issuance of temporary restraining order, injunction, or decision by the Supreme Court. At any time, prior to the finalization of the official ballot template, the Commission has the authority to exclude any party-list group, organization, or coalition not qualified to join the party-list system of representation.

Provided, that a party-list that filed a *Manifestation of Intent to Participate* but failed to file a Certificate of Nomination and Certificate of Acceptance of Nomination shall be: excluded in the ballot face, considered to have failed to participate, and shall be dealt with accordingly.

**SECTION 2.** *Time, Date, and Venue of Raffle.* – The conduct of the raffle shall be on the time, date, venue, and platform designated by the Commission.

For the 2025 National and Local Elections, the raffle shall be conducted at 9:00 AM, 18 October 2024 or at any later date designated by the Commission, Chairman's Hall, Ground Floor, Palacio del Gobernador

**Bldg., Intramuros, Manila** and simultaneously aired through the official streaming platform being utilized by the Education and Information Department.

**SECTION 3.** *Notice.* – The Commission shall issue a *Minute Resolution* listing all party-list groups, organizations or coalitions allowed to participate in the raffle.

The Office of the Clerk of the Commission (OCOC), in coordination with the Office of the Commission Secretary (ComSec), Education and Information Department (EID) and Information Technology Department (ITD), shall publish the list in two (2) newspapers of general circulation and in the official website (www.comelec.gov.ph) of the Commission to notify the raffle participants.

In addition to the notice *via* publication, the OCOC shall, not later than five (5) days before the scheduled conduct of the raffle, furnish notices of time, date, venue, and platform to all party-list groups, organizations, and coalitions allowed to participate in the raffle *via* the official e-mail addresses indicated in their submitted *Manifestations of Intent to Participate*.

**SECTION 4.** Authorized Representatives for the Conduct of the Raffle. – Each party-list group, organization, or coalition, including citizens' arms, media organizations, and other election stakeholders, who wish to attend the proceedings shall be entitled to **only one (1) representative** during the conduct of the raffle.

A Special Power of Attorney stating the name and e-mail address of the representative of party-list groups, organizations, coalition, citizens' arms, and other election stakeholders shall be submitted three (3) days before the raffle, via e-mail to the OCOC (clerkofthecommission@comelec.gov.ph). Members of media organizations shall course their submission through the EID (eid@comelec.gov.ph).

Party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions, or their representatives are REQUIRED TO PERSONALLY ATTEND the raffle at the venue.

Party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions which failed to submit the abovementioned *Special Power of Attorney* or send their representatives in the venue are considered to have waived their right to participate in and observe the proceedings.

**SECTION 5.** *Raffle Protocols.* – The following protocols shall be observed during the raffle:

- 1. The raffle shall be considered a Special Session of the Commission *En Banc*.
- Any person exhibiting unruly, inappropriate, or offensive behavior so as to obstruct or interrupt the proceedings may be held in contempt by the Commission in accordance with Rule 29 of the Commission's Rules of Procedure and, suppletory, Rule 71 of the Rules of Court, and cause his or her expulsion from the venue or platform;
- At least two (2) members of the Commission shall be present during the proceedings;
- Representatives from the OCOC, ITD, EID, Law Department, Political Finance and Affairs Department (PFAD) and the Offices of the Chairman and Commissioners shall be present during the conduct of raffle;
- 5. Unruly, inappropriate, or offensive behavior by the authorized representatives of party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions shall cause the forfeiture of the order of their listing, if it has already been determined; otherwise, they shall be considered to have waived their right to participate in the raffle. In either case, they shall be placed last in the list;
- Authorized media personnel shall be allowed to take photographs and videos of the proceedings;
- 7. Authorized representatives of citizens' arms, media organizations, and other election stakeholders joining *via* official streaming platform prescribed by the EID shall indicate the name of the organization and representatives (e.g. NAME OF THE CITIZENS' ARM Juana/Juan Dela Cruz; NAME OF THE MEDIA NETWORK Juana/Juan Dela Cruz) before joining the platform at least thirty (30) minutes prior to the scheduled time; and
- 8. Authorized representatives joining *via* the platform that may be designated by the Commission must always keep their video cameras on and microphones off, unless ordered otherwise.

**SECTION 6.** *Conduct of the Raffle.* – The raffle shall be conducted in the following manner:

 Prior to the formal opening of the session, the Clerk of the Commission or his or her representative shall call the roll of the party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions in the list, and note any absence;

- 2. Once the roll has been called, the Clerk of the Commission shall open the session;
- All the equipment, peripherals, software, and components to be used for the conduct of the automated raffle, which are properly sealed as far as practicable, shall be exhibited before the party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions in attendance;
- An alphabetical listing of all eligible party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions shall thereafter be displayed on the screen;
- The software to be used for the conduct of the raffle shall then be initiated by the Chairman or by one of the Commissioners present, the Clerk of the Commission as may be delegated, or any other authorized personnel of the Commission;
- After the software or application has randomized the listing of all eligible party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions, the officerin-charge of the software shall print the list;
- 7. The printed list shall be signed on each and every page by the officer-in-charge of the software, a next higher-ranking representative of the ITD, members of the Commission present, representatives from the Office of the Chairman, Offices of the Commissioners, OCOC, PFAD and Law Department;
- 8. The randomized listing shall be displayed simultaneously on the screen at the venue and platform;
- The order of party-list groups, organizations, or coalitions in the official ballot shall be announced by a representative of the OCOC;
- 10. A copy of the signed list shall then be handed over to the representative of the Law Department for the preparation of the ballot face; and
- 11. No appeal, motion for reconsideration, or motion to re-raffle shall be entertained by the Commission.

**SECTION 7.** *Implementation.* – The OCOC, ITD, EID, and Law Department are hereby directed to implement this Resolution.

The EID and the ITD shall cause the publication and posting of this Resolution in two (2) newspapers of general circulation and in the official website of the Commission, respectively.

**SECTION 8.** *Effectivity.* – This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon publication in two (2) newspapers of general circulation and in the official website of the Commission.

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Chairman

MARLON S. CASQUEJO
Commissioner

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