



Republic of the Philippines COMMISSION ON ELECTIONS Intramuros, Manila

RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING TRANSFER OF VENUE FOR THE FILING OF THE CERTIFICATE OF CANDIDACY IN CONNECTION WITH THE MAY 12, 2025 NATIONAL AND LOCAL **ELECTIONS** (NLE) AND **BARMM PARLIAMENTARY ELECTIONS (BPE)**

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RESOLUTION NO. 11043

SECTION 1. Request to Transfer Venue for the Filing of the Certificate of Candidacy. - The Election Officer (EO), Provincial Election Supervisor (PES) or the Regional Election Director of the National Capital Region (RED - NCR), as receiving officers of Certificates of Candidacy (COCs), may file a request for transfer of venue for the filing of COC on any of the following grounds:

- a. security concerns of aspirants;
- b. security concerns of COMELEC employees and workers;
- c. insufficient or limited office space;
- d. such other grounds as may be approved by the Commission.

The request to transfer the venue for the filing of COCs shall be filed not later than **September 20, 2024 (Friday)**.

SECTION 2. Where to File. - The EO shall file the request for transfer of venue for the filing of COCs with the PES concerned. Within three (3) days from the filing of the request, the PES shall recommend the approval or disapproval of the request to the RED. The RED shall act on the request within three (3) days from the receipt of the recommendation of the PES. In case of the NCR, Zamboanga City and Davao City, the EO shall file the request for transfer of venue with the RED.

For the PES, he or she may file a request for transfer of venue for the filing of COCs with the RED concerned. The RED shall act on the request within three (3) days from receipt of the request.

For the RED-NCR, the request for transfer of venue for the filing of COCs shall be filed with the Deputy Executive Director for Operations (DEDO). Within three (3) days from filing of the request, the DEDO shall recommend the approval or disapproval of the request to the Chairman of the Commission.

The decision of the RED and the Chairman, as the case may be, shall be final and executory unless a timely opposition is filed.

All approved requests for transfer of venue for the filing of COCs shall be immediately posted in the bulletin board of the Office of the Election Officer (OEO), Office of the Provincial Election Supervisor (OPES) or Office of the Regional Election Director of the National Capital Region (ORED-NCR) concerned, municipal, city or provincial hall, and in at least three (3) conspicuous places in the municipality, city or province, as the case may be.

SECTION 3. Requirements for the Transfer of Venue for the Filing of COCs. – The venue where the filing of COCs may be transferred shall be located in a public building or if none is available, in a private building: Provided, That either must not be owned, leased, or occupied by any incumbent official or any person who is related to any incumbent official within the fourth (4th) civil degree of consanguinity or affinity, or any officer of the government or leader of any political party, group, coalition or faction. It must not be in any building or surrounding premises under the actual control of a private entity, political party or religious organization.

The venue must be, as far as practicable, of sufficient size to admit and comfortably accommodate a reasonable number of aspirants at one time. The venue for the filing of COCs shall be located within the territory or jurisdiction of the receiving office as centrally as possible, and whenever possible, such location shall be along a public road.

The venue for the filing of COCs shall not be located within the perimeter of or inside a military or police camp or reservation or within a prison compound.

SECTION 4. Notice. - Upon approval of the request, the concerned receiving office shall notify the public, by posting a notice of change of venue for the filing of COCs, in its bulletin board and of the municipality, city or provincial hall, and in at least three (3) conspicuous places in the municipality, city or province, as the case may be.

SECTION 5. Opposition to the Transfer of Venue for the Filing of COCs. – Any registered voter may, within three (3) days from the approval of the request for the transfer of venue for the filing of COCs, file an opposition with the RED who issued such approval, or the Chairman of the Commission, through the DEDO, as the case may be.

The opposition shall be decided by the RED or the Chairman of the Commission, within three (3) days from filing thereof. The decision shall be final and executory, and shall be posted in the bulletin board of the receiving office concerned.

SECTION 6. Report of the Office of Regional Election Directors on All Actions on Requests for Authority. – On or before September 30, 2024 (Monday), the RED shall submit to the DEDO through e-mail at odedo@comelec.gov.ph., a report on the actions taken on all applications for request for transfer of venue for the filing of COCs.

The DEDO shall consolidate all reports of the RED, as well as the applications for request for authority filed with it.

SECTION 7. *Effectivity.* – This Resolution shall take effect on the seventh day after its publication in two (2) daily newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines.

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SECTION 8. *Publication and Dissemination.* - The Education and Information Department shall cause the publication of this Resolution in two (2) daily newspapers of general circulation in the Philippines and furnish copies of this Resolution to all field officials of the Commission.

SO ORDERED.

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