

**[DENR ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 18, s. 1994,
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**GUIDELINES GOVERNING THE CUTTING, GATHERING AND
DISPOSITION OF EDIBLE FRUIT-BEARING TREES**

Pursuant to Act No. 2812 and in line with the sustainable development of the country's natural resources, at the same time provide a healthy environment as well as edible fruits for the enjoyment of the citizenry, the following guidelines governing the cutting, gathering and utilization of edible fruit-bearing trees are hereby issued for the information and guidance of all concerned:

SECTION 1. Basic Policy. As enunciated in Act No. 2812, the unauthorized cutting within forest lands of the following edible fruit-bearing trees/shrubs for timber or firewood is prohibited:

- 1.1 *Eugenia Spp.* (Tampoy, Makopa, Yambu, etc.)
- 1.2 *Euphoria didyema* (Alupag); *E. gracilis* (Boboa)
- 1.3 Mangosteen
- 1.4 Pili
- 1.5 Balobo
- 1.6 Baluno
- 1.7 Bulala
- 1.8 Gumihan
- 1.9 Marang
- 1.10 Nangka or Langka
- 1.11 Lanzones
- 1.12 Kamagong or Mabolo
- 1.13 Alupag amo
- 1.14 Paho or Pahutan
- 1.15 Guava or Bayabas
- 1.16 Durian or Dulian
- 1.17 Others, the fruits of which can be used as food for human being and wildlife.

Moreover, and in consonance with the spirit and intents of P.D. No. 953, the cutting, destroying, damaging or injuring of naturally growing or planted trees along roads in land subdivisions or areas therein for the common use of the owners of subdivision lots or any species of vegetation or forest cover found therein, is likewise prohibited unless authorized under a permit issued by the Secretary or his authorized representative.

SECTION 2. Objectives. In line with the foregoing policy, the following objectives are sought to be attained:

- 2.1 Protection of the environment and maintenance of a desirable ecosystems balance;