

**[DA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 02, S. OF 2010,
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**CRITERIA FOR THE ACCREDITATION OF OPV CORN SEED
GROWERS/PRODUCERS**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the Seed Industry Development Act of 1992, and to ensure and sustain adequate supply of seeds of the desired quality, the following criteria for accreditation of OPV Corn seed producers/ growers are hereby promulgated.

1. The applicant must be an individual farmer, of legal age, or a member of a cooperative/seed growers association/farmer organization, corporation (subject to existing laws, policies, rules and regulations);
2. The applicant must submit 2 pcs. latest colored 2 x 2 ID picture and any authenticated photocopy of the following documents:
 - land title indicating ownership
 - lease hold contract
 - any notarized documents as proof of stewardship
3. For individual OPV Corn seed grower, the applicant must be:
 - a. A graduate of OPV Corn Seed Production and Certification training course conducted by government agencies (ATI, BPI, SCUs and DA-RFUs) involved in the training and implementation of OPV Corn Seed production and certification program. The training for accreditation must be coordinated with the BPI as the accreditation authority; and
 - b. Willing to undergo retooling course which is coordinated with the Bureau of Plant Industry (BPI) at applicant's expense every three (3) years before renewal of accreditation.
 - c. Certificate of accreditation is non-transferable.
4. For seed growers cooperative/association, it must:
 - a. Be duly registered with Cooperative Development Authority/Securities and Exchange Commission/Department of Labor and Employment;
 - b. All members must have finished OPV Corn Seed Production and Certification training course coordinated with BPI;
 - c. Require its designated member(s) to undergo retooling course coordinated with BPI every three years before renewal of accreditation at its own expense;
 - d. All members must be accredited
5. For seed company, it must: