

[PPA ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 007-00, May 03, 2000]

REGULATIONS ON COMPULSORY TUG ASSISTANCE AT THE BASEPORT OF DAVAO AND OTHER PORTS WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF PMO DAVAO

1. Authority

1.1 Sections 6 (a) (ii), (iii), (v) and 20 of P.D. 857

1.2 Section 12 of PPA A.O. No. 03-85

2. Scope — This Order shall cover all foreign and domestic vessels with 500 gross registered tonnage and above which dock/undock at the baseport of Davao and all ports within the jurisdiction of PMO Davao.

3. Objective — To protect government port facilities and to ensure the safe maneuvering of vessels at the baseport of Davao and all ports within the jurisdiction of PMO Davao, through the use of tugs.

4. Guidelines

4.1 Responsibility for Ensuring Availability of Tug Assistance — The Authority shall provide tug assistance service by authorizing shipping companies or private entities to provide such service on a non-exclusive basis.

4.2 Permit to Operate Tug Assistance — No operator shall provide tug assistance within the harbor limits unless in possession of an annual permit duly issued by the Authority, subject to such terms and conditions as it may deem proper, in addition to the requirements of other agencies. The tugboat operator shall provide the equipment needed to render efficient service.

Tugboats towing/barges/lighters are exempted from the above required annual permit when utilized solely for their own barges/lighters. Otherwise, the above permit is required when servicing other vessels for purposes of this regulation.

4.3 Table of Tug Requirements — Tug assistance requirements shall be determined on the basis of the gross registered tons (GRT) of the vessels and capacity (horsepower-HP) of the tugs in accordance with the following specifications:

Vessel Tonnage	Number of Tugs	Tugboat Capacity
500-3,000 GRT	1	1,000 HP TUG