

**[POEA MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 12, S. 1997,
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**GUIDELINES ON THE EXTENSION OF THE MAXIMUM CONTRACT
TERM LIMIT FROM TWO (2) TO THREE (3) YEARS FOR
EXPATRIATE WORKERS IN TAIWAN**

All categories of workers whose visas are expiring on 23 May 1997 and onward are eligible to apply for a third year extension of their employment visas, subject to the following guidelines released by the Council of Labor Affairs (CLA) of Taiwan:

1. Workers whose employment visas expired on or before 22 May 1997 can not apply for extension.
2. Those whose two-year visas expire from 23 May 1997 until 30 June 1997 should apply for a third year extension on or before 14 June 1997
3. Those whose visas will expire after 30 June 1997 should apply for a third year extension 60 days or 7 days, at the least, before the expiry date.
4. Third year extensions are valid only until 01 June 1999.

The usual medical examination requirement and schedule shall apply.

Entities conducting Pre-Departure orientation Seminar (PDOS) are enjoined to emphasize this to workers during lectures.

For compliance.

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