

THE REPUBLIC OF THE UNION OF MYANMAR

MINISTRY OF HOTEL & TOURISM

Order No.3 / 2011

Nay Pyi Taw, 4<sup>th</sup> Waxing day of Tawthalin , 1373(ME)

(1<sup>st</sup> September 2011)

In the exercise of the powers conferred by subsection (b) of Section 31 of the Myanmar Hotels & Tourism Law, the Ministry of Hotels & Tourism of the Republic of the Union of Myanmar hereby issues this Order with respect to the Tour Guide Business carried out for the international tourists and foreign visitors:

**ORDER RELATING OF LICENSING OF TOUR GUIDE BUSINESS**

1. The expressions contained in this Order shall have the same meanings as are given to them in the Myanmar Tourism Law and Procedures relating to the Myanmar Hotels & Tourism Law. In addition, the following expressions shall have the meanings given hereunder :

(a) **Tour Guide** means a person who renders a tour service for tourists & foreign visitors to Myanmar in order to do economic on payment for the purpose of economic interest. This expression shall not include persons who carry out of the following activities:

- (i) Any employee of a private enterprise or a company, who in the cause of his employment, to give a warm reception, arranging transportation, accommodation, accompanying and giving explanation, action as an interpreter, arranging for meal, entertainment or recreation for any person related to that business within the region where the office is located ;
- (ii) Any person who give a warm reception, arranging transportation, accommodation, accompanying and giving explanation, acting as an interpreter, arranging for meal, entertainment or recreation for a friend or a relative as a social obligation and not for the purpose of economic interest within the region of his residence,

(b) **Licensed Tour Guide** means a person who has obtained a licence for tour guide business.

2. Any person applying for a tour guide business licence shall have the following qualifications :-

(a) Shall have attained the age of 18 years ;

(b) Shall have fluent in any foreign language ;

(c) Shall have one of the qualifications prescribed for tour guide business under paragraph 14 of the procedures relating to the Myanmar Tourism Law ;

(d) Shall be of good health and not be a handicapped person ;

(e) Shall have a good moral character ;

(f) Shall not be a government servant of any state enterprise or government department, government organization.

3. The tenure of the Tour Guide licence is for a period of two years from the date of issue.

4. Persons applying for licence or renewal of license shall pay the prescribed licence fee or licence renewal fee as hereunder ;-

**Licence Fee**

50,000/-

**Renewal Fee**

50,000/-

5. If Tour Guide licence re-apply for lost (or) destroyed, shall pay service fee as per prescribed rate in para-4.

6. The licence-holder desirous of renewing the licence shall apply for the renewal of licence not earlier than (60) days but not later than (30) days before the expiry date. If application for renewal of licence is made after the expiry date, the licence-holder shall be liable to pay licence fee and fine at the rate of Ks. 500 per day for each expired day.

7. The duties of a licensed tour guide are as follows : -

(a) Shall take full responsibility for a tour engaged by Tour Operation and Tour Agent Service Enterprise, licence-holder of hotel or lodging-house ;

(b) Shall make tour arrangements in consultation with the relevant Department, Organization for the convenience of the foreign visitors, if, due to some reasons, there are changes in the tour programmed contained in sub-paragraph (a). At the

- end of that tour, explanation in connection changes in tour programme shall be given to the person who arranged it ;
- (c) Shall submit to the Directorate the rates for hire of tour guide services ;
  - (d) Shall take the hiring charges for tour guide only on the prescribed ranges by the Directorate ;
  - (e) Shall wears prescribed dress neat and tidy while serving as tour guide.
  - (f) Shall be hung Tour Guide Licence Card while serving as Tour Guide.
  - (g) Shall be abide by the instructions, prescribed laws and regulations occasionally instructed by relevant department, Organization.
8. Revoke the order No.8/91, dated 14.9.91 of Ministry of Trade by this order.

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