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DEPARTMENT ORDER
No. 61, s. 1977

AMENDMENTS TO DEPARTMENT ORDERS NOS. 41 AND
55, S. 1975 AND 50, S. 1976

To: Bureau Directors
Regional Directors
Coordinator, State Colleges and Universities
Schools Superintendents

1. The following portions of Department Orders Nos. 41 and 55, s. 1975 and 50, s. 1976 are hereby amended to read as follows:

a. Paragraph 2-b, Department Order No. 41, s. 1975:

The age requirement for participation of the in-school and out-of-school youths in all events played in the DEC-DLGCD senior division athletic meets is abolished.

For the purposes of DEC-DLGCD athletic meets, an out-of-school youth is one who falls in any of the following categories:

- (1) has not finished the elementary grades;
- (2) has finished the elementary grades but not enrolled in the high school;
- (3) has not finished the secondary course;
- (4) has finished the secondary course but not enrolled in college;
- (5) has not earned a degree; and
- (6) is unemployed.

An in-school youth is one who is officially enrolled.

Persons employed in government offices, corporations and private firms are no longer eligible to participate in any DEC-DLGCD athletic meets.

Students enrolled in college but within the age limit for junior events are not eligible to participate in any of the events intended only for secondary students. However, secondary students are qualified to participate in any event in the senior level if selected.



- b. Paragraph 2-f, Department Order No. 41, s. 1975:

Palarong Pambansa - There shall be thirteen (13) participating athletic regions in the Palarong Pambansa, each region to be represented by athletes selected in the regional meets. A player must have played in the regional meet of the region he is representing in the Palarong Pambansa.

- c. Paragraph 4 of the inclosure to Department Order No. 55, s. 1975:

Degree holders are not allowed to participate in any DEC-DLGCD athletic meets.

- d. Paragraph 1, Department Order No. 50, s. 1975:

Policemen, firemen, members of the Armed Forces of the Philippines and other quasi-military organizations are not eligible to participate in any DEC-DLGCD athletic meets.

2. The age requirements for participation of the in-school and out-of-school youths in the following events as provided for in Department Orders Nos. 41, s. 1975, 53, s. 1976; and 27, s. 1977, should be strictly followed:

- a. Little League Baseball
- b. Junior Chess
- c. Junior Track and Field
- d. Junior Football (7-men system)
- e. Weightlifting
- f. Boxing

3. Due to the abolition of age requirement for participation in the senior division, great care and discretion should be exercised in the selection of provincial athletes who shall represent each province to the regional athletic meet. Promising young athletes showing great potentials should be given due consideration.

4. All previous rules and regulations issued by this Office which are inconsistent with this Department Order are hereby amended.

5. Immediate dissemination and implementation of these guidelines is desired.

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References:

Department Orders: (Nos. 41 and 55, s. 1975; 50 and 53, s. 1976, and 27, s. 1977)

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