



ELECTION BAN

Specific Activities and Period covered by Election Ban

ACTIVITIES	PERIOD
Release, disbursement and expenditure of public funds for public works, social, and housing related projects.	March 29, 2019 to May 12, 2019
Construction of public works, delivery of materials for public works and issuance of treasury warrants and similar devices	

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ACTIVITIES	PERIOD
Transfer or movement of officers and employees in the civil service	January 13, 2019 to June 12, 2019
Bearing, carrying or transporting firearms or other deadly weapons	
Use of security personnel or bodyguards by candidates	
Organization or maintenance of reaction forces, strike forces or other similar forces	
Suspension of any elective provincial, city, municipal or barangay officer	
Giving donations or gift in cash or in kind	
Appointment or use of special policemen, special/confidential agents or the like	February 12, 2019 to May 13, 2019

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ACTIVITIES	PERIOD
Appointment or hiring of new employees; creation or filling up of new positions; promotion or giving of salary increases, remuneration or privilege	March 29, 2019 to May 13, 2019
Selling, furnishing, offering, buying, serving or taking intoxicating liquor	May 12, 2019 to May 13, 2019
Giving, accepting free transportation, food, drinks and things of value	
Opening of booths or stalls for the sale, etc., of wares, merchandise or refreshments, within thirty (30) meters radius from the polling place	May 13, 2019
Holding of fairs, cockfights, boxing, horse races or similar sports	May 13, 2019

General Rule

As a general rule, the *release, disbursement and expenditure* of public funds for public works, social works, housing-related projects, and the *issuance of treasury warrants* or similar devices are prohibited beginning **March 29, 2019 until May 12, 2019.**

Exemptions

1. Public Works

- ▶ **maintenance works** provided no additional laborers are employed for the period covering March 29, 2019 to May 12, 2019
- ▶ **works undertaken by contract before March 29, 2019**
- ▶ **preparatory works before March 29, 2019** and all incidental expenses for wages of laborers for such work provided that the number of employees shall not be increased over the number of laborers hired when the project was commenced
- ▶ **emergency works** necessitated by occurrence of a calamity, which is limited to restoration of damaged facility
- ▶ **ongoing projects** including FAPs submitted to COMELEC commenced prior to March 29, 2019

Exemption

2. Social Projects

- ▶ Personal Service expenses
- ▶ routine and normal expenses
- ▶ those covered by specific COMELEC authority/exemption

Exemption

3. Housing-related Projects

- ▶ Personal Service expenses
- ▶ administrative expenses
- ▶ those covered by specific COMELEC authority/exemption

DBM documentary requirements

1. The following documents should be submitted to DBM prior to any release of funds:

Exempt Works/Projects	Documentary Requirements
<p>A. Public Works</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Maintenance works;2. Works undertaken by Contract before the election ban;3. Preparatory works;4. Emergency works in case of a calamity;5. Ongoing projects; and6. Similar projects under foreign agreements	<p>A. Sworn certification by the head of department/agency that said public works project is exempt under Section 261 (v)(1) of the OEC; and</p> <p>B. Written proof that said exempt public works project is included in the list of authorized public works project, required to be submitted to the COMELEC pursuant to said Section. (Note: this requirement is limited to Items 2, 5 and 6 under the exempt works/projects)</p>
<p>B. Social Projects</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Personal Service expenses;2. Routine and normal expenses; and3. COMELEC exemption	<p>Sworn certification from the head of the department/agency that the requested release of public funds is for exempt expenditures pursuant to Section 261 (v)(2) of the OEC.</p>

DBM documentary requirements (*cont.*)

C. Housing-related Projects

1. Personal Service expenses;
2. Administrative expenses; and
3. COMELEC exemption

Sworn certification from the head of the department/agency that the requested release of public funds is for exempt expenditures pursuant to Section 261 (v)(3) of the OEC.