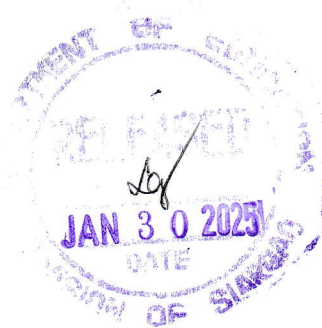




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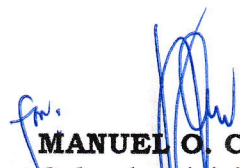
DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. **01-027**, 2025

REITERATION OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ENHANCED "NO PLASTIC POLICY" IN ALL SCHOOLS OF DEPED SIARGAO

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Functional Division Chiefs and Personnel (OSDS, CID, SGOD)
Elementary and Secondary School Heads
All concerned
This Division

1. Pursuant to the issued Division Memorandum No. 01-019, s. 2024 titled **Implementation of Enhanced "No Plastic Policy" in all Schools of DepEd Siargao**, this office reiterates the strict observance and compliance with the policy to promote a healthier and safer environment that will benefit everyone in the future.
2. In addition, all schools and offices shall also implement the solid waste management by ensuring proper segregation, collection, and disposal of solid waste following the prescribed waste management measures such as recycling, composting, re-use and other effective methods.
3. Monitoring of the said policy will be done by the **School Science Coordinator** with the **School YES-O Coordinator** and by the **Unit Heads** in the Division Office.
4. Attached is a copy of DM No. 01-019, s. 2024.
5. For immediate dissemination to, guidance, and strict compliance of all concerned.


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Encl: As stated

Reference: As stated

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NO PLASTIC USE POLICY ENVIRONMENT


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DIVISION MEMORANDUM

No. 01-019, s. 2024

Implementation of Enhanced “No Plastic Policy” in all Schools of DepEd Siargao

To: Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Division Chiefs
Section/Unit Heads
Education Program Supervisors
District Supervisors/in charge
Elementary & Secondary School Heads

1. If plastic garbage is not properly managed, it can be trapped in our environment for decades and can bring hazards to our health and to the environment as well. Plastics can take hundreds or thousands of years to decompose fully. Current data suggest that only 15% of plastics are recovered and 9% of it is recycled (<https://rb.gy/bgvpap>).

2. RA 9003, Otherwise known as “The Ecological Solid Waste Management Act of 2000, aims to merge environmental protection with economic pursuits, recognizing the re-orientation of the community’s view on solid waste, thereby providing schemes for waste minimization, volume reduction, resource recovery utilization and disposal. On the other hand, D.O 5, s. 2014 emphasizes that schools have to practice solid waste management.

3. With the serious problem on plastics and cellophanes, there is a pressing need for us educators to do our fair share in minimizing or doing away with plastics or cellophanes so as to help mitigate the problem.

4. Hence, the following policies are hereby implemented for schools to follow:

- a. **Schools, school canteens, offices must avoid using plastics (especially single use plastic) or cellophanes. Eco bags, banana leaves, basket or trays made of rattans, coconut midribs or any other biodegradable materials must be used instead.**
- b. **Teaching and non-teaching employees who are taking their lunch in schools or offices must make sure that they will not use cellophanes or single use plastics as their food containers. Eco bottles must also be used as water container.**



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- c. *During training, seminars, meetings, athletic meets and other activities, food caterers should avoid using cellophanes or plastics. Soft drinks and other beverages in plastics should be avoided. Caterers may find other substitutes. Participants must bring with them Eco bottles for water consumption.*
 - d. *Disposable paper glass, plates and others are not encouraged. They may be used only in extreme cases because they can mean additional garbage only. Schools, offices and caterers should procure their own dinnerware, silverware, etc. (not disposable).*
 - e. *Food items wrapped in plastics or Styrofoam are not allowed. Paper box may be used. Friendly alternatives should be advocated for office or school needs.*
 - f. *Make use of projector in bannering Title especially during in house activities instead of tarpaulins.*
 - g. *Schools /offices shall refrain from putting tarpaulins to welcome visitors especially if they are DepEd officials or DepEd workers.*
 - h. *Polyvinyl chloride or PVC should not be used as cover of Program Invitation or Reports.*
4. These policies must be posted by the school in a classroom or in the offices so everybody can be aware. Further, they must be disseminated to other members of the school community.
5. Monitoring at school level should be done by the **School Science Coordinator** together with the **School YES-O Coordinator**.
6. Immediate dissemination of this memorandum for strict compliance is hereby enjoined.


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References: RA 9903, D.O 5, s. 2014

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Waste Management No Plastic Policy

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