



Republic of the Philippines  
Office of the President  
**OPTICAL MEDIA BOARD**

---

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

**MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 2005-006**

**TO: ALL MALL OWNERS, ADMINISTRATORS OR RETAIL SELLING AREAS, PROPERTY MANAGERS, BAZAAR OPERATORS AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC**

**RE: ACCREDITATION OF RETAIL OUTLETS**

The public is hereby reminded that Republic Act No. 9239, entitled, "The Optical Media Act 2003," and its Implementing Rules and Regulations are now fully in force.

Under Section 19 c 1 & 2 thereof, **IT IS A CRIME** to knowingly possess, sell, distribute, rent out, import and export pirated discs, regardless of their content.

Please be reminded further that **ALL PIRATED OPTICAL DISCS** are now specifically prohibited under R.A. 9230, regardless of whether they are DVDs, VCDs, CDs, or CD-Rs, and regardless of whether they contain films, music and software, installers, games, applications, books, or other copyrighted content.

So that you and your customers may know whether the goods being sold in your premises are genuine, and in order to protect your establishments, its investors, and stockholders from economic loss and criminal, civil and administrative liability, and to protect your customers from the inconvenience of raids, you are advised to immediately require all outlets who are engaged in the sale, distribution, and/or rental of optical discs in your establishments to obtain a Certificate of Accreditation from the Optical Media Board as soon as possible.

The Optical Media Board is likewise ready to assist you in riding your premises of the ills and effects of piracy. For inquiries, contact the Optical Media Board at (02) 374-0237, (02) 374-0217 and (02) 373-6829

**HON. EDUARDO B. MANZANO** (Sgd.)  
Chairman & Chief Executive Officer