

Marrakesh Treaty Questionnaire – Philippines

1. Please indicate the relevant provisions in your national legislation providing for or regulating the limitations and exceptions to facilitate access to published works for persons who are blind, visually impaired, or otherwise print disabled.

The reproduction or distribution of published articles or materials in a specialized format exclusively for the use of the blind, visually- and reading-impaired persons: Provided, That such copies and distribution shall be made on a nonprofit basis and shall indicate the copyright owner and the date of the original publication. (Sec. 184.1 (1), Republic Act No. 8293, as amended).

2. Does your national legislation permit the cross-border exchange (i.e. exportation) of “accessible format copies”, as defined in Article 2 b)¹ MVT? If yes, under which conditions?

No, cross border exchange is not expressly provided in the law but included in the Implementing Rules and Regulation that is pending approval for issuance.

3. Does your national legislation allow the importation of “accessible format copies”, as defined in Article 2 b)² MVT? If yes, under which conditions?

No, importation of accessible format copies is not expressly provided in the law but is included in the Implementing Rules and Regulation that is pending approval for issuance

4. Does your national legislation provide a definition of “authorized entity”, as defined in Article 2 c)³ MVT? If yes, please provide the reference.

No, definition of authority entity is not expressly provided in the law but is included in the Implementing Rules and Regulation that is pending approval for issuance.

5. Please provide a list with contact details of entities that can operate as authorized entities in your territory, and any further information that you can provide, such as number of accessible titles in the catalogue of the authorized entity and the languages covered.

No such information is available at the moment. The Implementing Rules and Regulations on the Marrakesh Treaty is pending approval for issuance.