

**DOCUMENTS REQUIRED
IN DIFFERENT CATEGORIES OF
NO-OBJECTION CERTIFICATE
(NOC)
FOR PERIODICAL/ NEWSPAPER**



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CATEGORIES OF NOC FOR PERIODICAL/NEWSPAPER:

NOC is issued in the following categories for the title of a periodical/newspaper:

- 1. NOC for Fresh Title of a Periodical/Newspaper**
- 2. NOC for Additional Fresh Title of a Periodical/Newspaper**
- 3. NOC for Change of Language of Title of a Periodical/Newspaper**
- 4. NOC for Change of Periodicity of Title of a Periodical/
Newspaper**
- 5. NOC for Other Station of Title of a Periodical/Newspaper**
- 6. NOC for Transfer of ownership of a Title of a Periodical/
Newspaper**
- 7. NOC for Change of Printer of Title of a Periodical/Newspaper**
- 8. NOC for Re-validation of the Title of a Periodical/Newspaper**

NOC For Fresh Title of Periodical/Newspaper:

- ❖ The following documents are required to be submitted with the prescribed proforma for NOC for Fresh Title of a periodical;
1. Copies of **Valid CNICs** of **Publisher** and **Editor** (duly attested by a Government Officer in BS-17 or above);
 2. **Attested Photocopy of applicant's master's degree/ bachelor's degree (with 16 years of schooling) with original HEC attestation stamp.** In the case of a Foreign/Local/Deeni Asnad or an Equivalent degree, the Equivalence Certificate issued by the HEC is mandatory;
 3. **Original Certificate of 5 years of experience** in journalism of a Registered CML listed Newspaper issued by the Chief Editor/ Publisher on the original letterhead of publication with Name & Stamp, along with supporting documents including original news clippings, attested copies of employee ID cards and salary slips for the working period;
 4. At least **10-15 original published articles/news stories** printed during the period mentioned in the experience certificate with the name of the applicant to verify the certificate;
 5. If the applicant is a **professional degree holder (e.g. medical or engineering)** and applied for a title in that specific professional field then he/she shall furnish an experience certificate and news clippings/articles in that respective field not in the journalistic field;
 6. **Original Receipt of fee** for NOC duly **verified by Treasury Officer**; **Rs. 5000/-** for **Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, and Rawalpindi** stations, whereas **for the rest of the country**, the fee is **Rs. 1,000/-** (On 32-A Challan Form in any branch of **NBP/State Bank** in **A/C # C03886**, Account Title: Government of Pakistan);
 7. **Latest Bank Statement of the last six months** of the Applicant (duly verified by the Bank with stamp) showing a minimum closing balance of not less than Rs.5 lacs;
 8. **Original Affidavit of the Applicant (Publisher)** as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-, duly attested by Oath Commissioner;
 9. **Original Affidavit of the Applicant (Publisher) for the Source of Funding** as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-, duly attested by Oath Commissioner;

NOC For Additional Fresh Title of Periodical/Newspaper:

- ❖ **To obtain NOC for an Additional Fresh Title, valid registration for previously allotted titles and adherence to the regularity standards specified in section 11 of PNNBR Ordinance 2002 are mandatory.**
- ❖ The following documents are required to be submitted with the prescribed proforma for NOC for the Additional Fresh Title of a periodical;
 1. Copies of **Valid CNICs** of **Publisher** and **Editor**, duly attested by a Government Officer (BS-17);
 2. **Attested Photocopy of applicant's master's degree/ bachelor's degree (with 16 years of schooling) with original HEC attestation stamp.** In the case of a Foreign/Local/Deeni Asnad or an Equivalent degree, the Equivalence Certificate issued by the HEC is mandatory;
 3. **Original Certificate of 5 years of experience** in journalism of a Registered CML listed Newspaper issued by the Chief Editor/ Publisher on the original letterhead of publication with Name & Stamp, along with supporting documents including original news clippings, attested copies of employee ID cards and salary slips for the working period;
 4. **Statement of the applicant on the original letterhead of already allotted titles each,** of experience as a publisher/owner;
 5. At least **3 months' latest newspapers/record of released news stories** of titles each, already allotted to the applicant;
 6. If the applicant is a **professional degree holder** (e.g. medical or engineering) and applied for a title in that specific professional field then he/she shall furnish an experience certificate and news clippings/articles in that respective field not in the journalistic field;
 7. Copies of NOC and Declaration for already allotted Title(s);
 8. Copies of Valid Registration Certificates of already allotted Title(s);
 9. **Original Receipt of fee** for NOC duly **verified by Treasury Officer**; **Rs. 5000/-** for **Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, and Rawalpindi** stations, whereas **for the rest of the country**, the fee is **Rs. 1,000/-** (On 32-A Challan Form in any branch of **NBP/State Bank** in **A/C # C03886**, Account Title: Government of Pakistan);
 10. **Latest Bank Statement of the last six months** of the Applicant (duly verified by the Bank with stamp) showing a minimum closing balance of not less than Rs.5 lacs;
 11. **Original Affidavit of the Applicant (Publisher)** as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-duly attested by Oath Commissioner;
 12. **Original Affidavit of the Applicant (Publisher) for the Source of Funding** as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-, duly attested by Oath Commissioner;

NOC For Change of Language of Periodical/ Newspaper:

- ❖ **Change in Language from one Station shall apply to all Declared Stations of the Publication. On receipt of NOC for change of Language, the Publisher shall be bound to change the language of the publication from the rest of its declared stations.**
- ❖ The following documents are required to be submitted with the prescribed proforma for NOC for Change of Language of Title of a periodical;
 1. Copies of **Valid CNIC** of the **Publisher, Editor and Printer** (duly attested by Government Officer in BS-17 or above with stamp);
 2. Copy of **NOC of Press Registrar** for allotment of Title Name;
 3. Attested copies of **Declarations i.e. Form-B of Publisher and Printer** of Publication;
 4. Attested copy of **Declaration i.e. Form-A of Printer**;
 5. Copy of **Registration Certificate** of Publication;
 6. True Attested copy of **Regularity Certificate**;
 7. **Three months' latest issue** of publication;
 8. **Original Receipt of fee** for NOC duly verified by Treasury Officer; **Rs. 5000/-** for Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, and Rawalpindi stations, whereas for the rest of the country, the fee is **Rs. 1,000/-** (On **32-A Challan Form** in any branch of **NBP/State Bank** in **A/C # C03886**, Account Title: **Government of Pakistan**);
 9. **Latest Bank Statement of the last six months** (duly verified by the Bank with stamp) showing a minimum closing balance of not less than Rs.5 lacs;
 10. **Original Affidavit of the Owner/Publisher** as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-duly attested by Oath Commissioner;
 11. **Original Affidavit of the Owner/Publisher** for the source of funding and clearance of employees' dues as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-, duly attested by the Oath Commissioner.

NOC For Change of Periodicity of Periodical/Newspaper:

- ❖ **Change in Periodicity from one Station shall apply to all Declared Stations of the Publication. On receipt of NOC for change of Periodicity, the Publisher shall be bound to change the periodicity of the publication from the rest of its declared stations.**
- ❖ The following documents are required to be submitted with the prescribed proforma for NOC for Change of Periodicity of Title of a periodical;
 1. Copies of **Valid CNIC** of the **Publisher, Editor** and **Printer** (duly attested by Government Officer in BS-17 or above with stamp);
 2. Copy of **NOC of Press Registrar** for allotment of Title Name;
 3. Attested copies of **Declarations i.e. Form-B of Publisher and Printer** of Publication;
 4. Attested copy of **Declaration i.e. Form-A of Printer**;
 5. Copy of **Registration Certificate** of Publication;
 6. True Attested copy of **Regularity Certificate**;
 7. **Three months' latest issue** of publication;
 8. **Original Receipt of fee** for NOC duly verified by Treasury Officer; **Rs. 5000/-** for Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, and Rawalpindi stations, whereas for the rest of the country, the fee is **Rs. 1,000/-** (On **32-A Challan Form** in any branch of **NBP / State Bank** in **A/C # C03886**, Account Title: **Government of Pakistan**);
 9. **Latest Bank Statement of the last six months** (duly verified by the Bank with stamp) showing a minimum closing balance of not less than Rs.5 lacs;
 10. **Original Affidavit of the Owner/Publisher** as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-duly attested by Oath Commissioner;
 11. **Original Affidavit of the Owner/Publisher** for the source of funding and clearance of employees' dues as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-, duly attested by the Oath Commissioner.

NOC For Other Station of Periodical/Newspaper:

❖ **Language and Periodicity of the Title shall be maintained in all Other Stations of the publication.**

- ❖ The following documents are required to be submitted with the prescribed proforma for NOC for Other Station of Title of a periodical;
- 1. Copies of **Valid CNIC** of the **Publisher, Editor and Printer** (duly attested by Government Officer in BS-17 or above with stamp);
- 2. Copy of **NOC of Press Registrar** for allotment of Title Name;
- 3. Attested copies of **Declarations i.e. Form-B of Publisher and Printer** of all declared stations of the Publication;
- 4. Attested copy of **Declaration i.e. Form-A of Printer**;
- 5. Copies of **Registration Certificates** of all already allotted Stations of Publication;
- 6. True Attested copy of **Regularity Certificates** of already allotted Stations of Publication;
- 7. **Three months' latest issue** of publication;
- 8. **Original Receipt of fee** for NOC duly verified by Treasury Officer; **Rs. 5000/- for Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, and Rawalpindi** stations, whereas for the rest of the country, the fee is **Rs. 1,000/-**(On **32-A Challan Form** in any branch of **NBP / State Bank** in **A/C # C03886**, Account Title: **Government of Pakistan**);
- 9. **Latest Bank Statement of the last six months** (duly verified by the Bank with stamp) showing a minimum closing balance of not less than Rs.5 lacs;
- 10. **Original Affidavit of the Owner/Publisher** as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-duly attested by Oath Commissioner;
- 11. **Original Affidavit of the Owner/Publisher** for the source of funding as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-, duly attested by the Oath Commissioner.

NOC For Transfer of Ownership of Title of a Periodical/ Newspaper:

❖ **Ownership of A Title Name with All Declared Stations of the Publication shall be Transferred to the Incoming Publisher.**

1. Copies of **Valid CNIC** of the **Publishers (Incoming and Outgoing), Editor and Printer** (duly attested by a Government Officer in BS-17 or above);
2. **Attested Photocopy of applicant's master's degree/ bachelor's degree (with 16 years of schooling) with original HEC attestation stamp.** In the case of a Foreign/Local/Deeni Asnad or an Equivalent degree, the Equivalence Certificate issued by the HEC is mandatory;
3. **Original Certificate of 5 years of experience** in journalism of a Registered CML listed Newspaper issued by the Chief Editor/ Publisher on the original letterhead of publication with Name & Stamp, along with supporting documents including original news clippings, attested copies of employee ID cards and salary slips for the working period;
4. At least **10-15 original published articles/news stories** printed during the period mentioned in the experience certificate with the name of the applicant to verify the certificate;
5. If the applicant is a **professional degree holder** (e.g. medical or engineering) and applied for a title in that specific professional field then he/she shall furnish an experience certificate and news clippings/articles in that respective field not in the journalistic field;
6. **Latest Bank Statement of the last six months** (duly verified by the **Original Receipt of fee** for NOC duly verified by Treasury Officer; **Rs. 5000/-** for **Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, and Rawalpindi** stations, whereas for the rest of the country, the fee is **Rs. 1,000/-** (On 32-A Challan Form in any branch of **NBP/State Bank** in A/C # C03886, Account Title: Government of Pakistan);
7. Bank Manager, with stamp) showing a minimum closing balance of not less than Rs.5 lacs;
8. Copy of **NOC of Press Registrar** for allotment of Title Name;
9. Copy of **NOC of Press Registrar for previous Transfer** of Ownership of Title;
10. Attested Copies of **Declarations Form-B** of outgoing **Publisher and Printer**;
11. Attested Copy of **Declaration Form-A of Printer**;
12. Copies of the **Registration certificate(s)** of allotted stations;
13. True Attested copy of **Regularity Certificate(s)** of all allotted stations;
14. **Three months issue** of publication of all allotted stations;

15. Original Affidavit of Incoming Publisher as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-, duly attested by Oath Commissioner;
16. Original Affidavit of Incoming Publisher for the Source of Funding as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/- duly attested by Oath Commissioner;
17. Original Affidavit of Outgoing Publisher for the Source of Funding and clearance of Employee's dues as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/- duly attested by Oath Commissioner;
18. **Sale agreement** b/w both parties on a legal stamp paper specified for the sale deed duly attested by the Oath Commissioner.
19. **In-person attendance of incoming and outgoing owners** before the Press Registrar or Designated Officers, as the case may be. **Attendance Sheet to be signed with thumb expressions by both incoming and outgoing owners and duly verified by the Press Registrar/Designated Officer;**
20. To transfer ownership of a registered title such as a periodical, news agency, or printing press after the owner's death, the nominated legal heir must provide the following documents; (i) the death certificate of the owner, (ii) FRC from NADRA, (iii) succession certificate, (iv) certified copy of the complete file of the civil suit filed by the nominated legal heir along with all annexures and replies/comments of the respondents, (v) a certified true copy of the court decree containing the heir's nomination and clearly stating that other legal heirs have surrendered their ownership rights to the title in favour of the nominated heir;

NOC For Change of Printer of Periodical/Newspaper:

- ❖ The following documents are required to be submitted with the prescribed proforma for NOC for Change of Language of Title of a periodical;
1. Copies of **Valid CNIC** of the **Publisher, Incoming Printer** and **Outgoing Printer** (duly attested by Government Officer in BS-17 or above with stamp);
 2. Copy of **NOC of Press Registrar** for allotment of Title Name;
 3. Attested copies of Declarations i.e. **Form-B of Publisher and outgoing Printer** of Publication;
 4. Attested copy of Declaration i.e. **Form-A of incoming Printer**;
 5. Copy of Registration Certificate of Publication;
 6. True Attested copy of **Regularity Certificate**;
 7. Three months' latest issue of publication;
 8. Original Receipt of fee for NOC duly verified by Treasury Officer; **Rs. 5000/-** for Karachi, Lahore, Islamabad, and Rawalpindi stations, whereas for the rest of the country, the fee is **Rs. 1,000/-** (On **32-A Challan Form** in any branch of **NBP / State Bank** in **A/C # C03886**, Account Title: **Government of Pakistan**);
 9. Latest Bank Statement of the last six months (duly verified by the Bank with stamp) showing a minimum closing balance of not less than Rs.5 lacs;
 10. Original Affidavit of Outgoing Printer about clearance of dues duly signed and stamped as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-duly attested by Oath Commissioner;
 11. Undertaking of Incoming Printer duly signed and stamped as specified on the original letterhead of the printing press;
 12. Original Affidavit of the Owner/Publisher as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-duly attested by Oath Commissioner;
 13. Original Affidavit of the Owner/Publisher for the source of funding and clearance of employees' dues as specified on stamp paper of Rs.100/-, duly attested by the Oath Commissioner.

NOC For Re-validation of Title of Periodical/Newspaper:

- ❖ **If the Applicant files a request for Re-validation/Re-issuance of a NOC on the prescribed Proforma within four (4) weeks of the expiry date, no document will be required. In case of a lapse of four weeks, all the requisite documents prescribed for that Category of NOC shall be submitted with the Proforma.**