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# National Film Commission of Bhutan Royal Government of Bhutan Thimphu: Bhutan



## NOTIFICATION

The National Film Commission (NFC) would like to notify all the filmmakers, including travel agents who represent international filmmakers locally, to kindly take note of the following changes in terms of Issuance of Filming Permits, Film Review and Issuance of Film Certificate by the National Film Commission:

# 1. Issuance of Filming Permit;

- A filming permit, both national and international, to be issued after two days from the day of the receipt of the application.
- However, the issuance within two days will depend on submission of the complete set of documents to the Commission.

#### 2. Film Review;

- The Commission will review one film each on Friday after office, depending upon the request received for review.
- The applicant must submit the application for review on Monday so that the film can be reviewed on Friday.
- Since only one film will be reviewed per week (this is an interim measure due to shortage of staff at NFC), preference to be given on a first-come-first basis, provided all relevant documents are submitted. In case of missing documents, the review request will be rescheduled based on the date of submission of complete documents.
- The producer/director must seal and submit the final copy of the film on Thursday along with the review fee of Nu. 10,000. Kindly ensure that the final copy is properly sealed.
- Once the final copy of the film is received, along with the review fee, the Commission shall start forming a review committee from the National Film Review Board.
- The Review Committee shall review the film on Friday. The Committee will then give their comments and feedback on the film.

### 3. Issuance of Film Certificate:

- After receiving comments and feedback from the Committee after the review, the dealing official will formally convey the comments and decisions on the following Monday.
- After the changes have been incorporated in the film based on the observations made by the Review Committee, the producer/director to submit the film for final validation to the Commission.
- The Commission will verify if the suggested changes and feedback have been incorporated in the film, after which the certificate shall be issued within one day after the final validation.

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