



Legal Newsletter (September 2023)

The present newsletter contains significant legislative amendments made in various legislative and sub-legislative acts in September 2023.

Order №67/m of the Minister of IDPs from the Occupied Territories of Georgia, Labor, Health and Social Protection

On the 14th of September 14, 2023:

1. Order №01-122/m of the Minister of IDPs from the Occupied Territories of Georgia, Labor, Health and Social Affairs made on the 29th of November, 2019 "on the procedure for notification of the employment of an immigrant legally staying in Georgia for LEPL the State Employment Promotion Agency subject to the state control of the IDPs from the occupied territories of Georgia, to the Ministry of Labor, Health and Social Affairs by a local employer.

2. Order №01-58/m of the Minister of Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia made on the 22nd of December, 2015 "on approval of the form of the fine receipt, its filling and submission procedure".

were declared invalid.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above Order at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code: 470230000.22.035.017087.

The Order came into force upon its publication.



Order №43 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia

On the 14th of September , 2023 by Order №334 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia in the rule approved by Order №43 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia made on the 26th February, 2021, "on the approval of the procedure for registration, identification and verification of the player by the holder of the permit to organize lottery, gambling and/or prize games in a system-electronic form":

1. sub-paragraph „d” of paragraph 2, Article 4 was formed with the following redaction:

„d) Player's citizenship, document number that proves identity and/or citizenship, date of issue, issuing country, issuing authority and validity period;

2. Paragraph 2 of Article 5 was formed with the following redaction:

„2. The operator is obliged, in the case of a citizen of Georgia and a holder of a residence permit, to check the identification data of the person in the electronic database of the LEPL- State Services Development Agency during the registration and risk-based approach. For this purpose, the operator is authorized to receive from the agency the following information about the player: name and surname, date of birth, place of birth, citizenship, personal number, document number, date of issue and validity period, photograph and registered residential address.

3. Following paragraph 3 with the following content was supplemented after Article 7

„3. The operator is obliged to check the information about the citizenship of the player registered before October 1, 2023 in the electronic database of the State Services Development Agency no later than November 1, 2023."

You can see the full version of the above Rule at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code: 040170310.22.033.017735.

The Order came into force from the 1st of October, 2023.



Order №243 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia

On the 14th of September, 2023 an amendment was made in the „requirements/standards of gambling and/or profitable games organized in system-electronic form" approved by Order №243 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia made on the 1st of October, 2020 (Appendix №1) by the Order №335 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia "on the establishment/introducing for acting of requirements/standards, which must be met by the essential product/service, POS terminal and/or any other device to be used/used by the applicant/permit holder of a permit to arrange gambling and winning games, a permit to provide gambling and/or winning games in his/her activities"

1. - paragraph „a.k” with the following content was supplemented to the paragraph „a”, Article 4.

„a.k) Citizenship of the player;

2. Chapter IX was supplemented after the chapter VIII:

„ Chapter IX. Transitional provisions

Article 22. Transitional provisions

The operator is obliged to reflect the information about the player's citizenship in the electronic file of the registered player by the 1st of October, 2023, no later than November 1, 2023."

You can see the full version of the above appendix at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code: 040170310.22.033.017736.

The Order came into force from the 1st of October, 2023.

Order №892 of the Minister of Internal Affairs of Georgia made on the 25th of June, 2007



On the 12th of September, 2023 by Order №71 of the Minister of Internal Affairs of Georgia the following amendment was made in the rule approved by the order №892 of the Minister of Internal Affairs of Georgia made on the 25th of June, 2007 "on approval of the procedure for registration of lien, certificate of criminal record and certificate of the legal status of a mechanical vehicle by the Service Agency of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia" and Article 2 (definition of terms used in the instruction); Article 41 (information card submitted to the same system by the authorized mortgagor or notary (his/her substitute) for registration using the electronic document circulation system of the right of lien determined by the vehicle lien transaction) etc. were formed with a new edition.

You can see the full version of the above Rule at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code: 010240060.22.034.017399.

The Order came into force from the 25th of september, 2023

Order №52 of the Minister of Justice of Georgia

On the 28th of September, 2023 by order №933 of the Minister of Justice of Georgia the following amendment was made in order №52 of the Minister of Justice of Georgia made on the 15th of November, 2014 regarding the approval of the form of temporary identification certificate":

1. Paragraph 2 of the appendix (temporary identification certificate form) approved by the order was formed with the following redaction:

„2. The certificate is bilingual, Georgian-English, two-page, dimensions: 196X68mm, contains 15 protective marks.

2. The form of the temporary identification certificate specified by the appendix (temporary identification certificate form) approved by the order was formed with the attached form.



The use of temporary identification card blanks available before the implementation of this order is allowed until their supply is exhausted.

You can see the full version of the above Rule at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code: 010130000.22.027.017422.

The Order came into force upon its publication.

Joint order №234–№230 of the Minister of Internal Affairs of Georgia and the Minister of Justice of Georgia

On the 28th-29th of September, 2023 by the joint Order №76/№937 of the Minister of Internal Affairs of Georgia and the Minister of Justice of Georgia an amendment was made to the joint Order №234–№230 of the Minister of Internal Affairs of Georgia and the Minister of Justice of Georgia of May 1-2, 2017 "on the approval of the rules and conditions of providing service by the legal entity under public law - the House of Justice acting in the field of governance of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia by a legal entity under public law - the Service Agency of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia and Article 2¹ with the following content was supplemented to the Order:

„Article 2¹

Until the 1st of January, 2026, relevant amendments shall be made gradually in the rule defined by the joint order, in order to provide the interested person with all the services defined by the first paragraph of Article 11¹ of the Law of Georgia“ "about the fees and terms set for the services provided by the legal entity under public law - the service agency of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia" through the House of Justice - a legal entity under public law operating in the field of governance of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia. and etc.

You can see the full version of the above rules and conditions at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code: 040030000.22.034.017404.



The Order came into force upon its publication and its effect was extended to legal relations arising from September 25, 2023.

The Order came into force from the 4th of september, 2023

Resolution №352 of the Government of Georgia

On the 4th of September, 2023 in accordance with Article 25 of the Organic Law of Georgia "on Normative Acts", the following were declared invalid:

1. resolution №631 of the Government of Georgia made on the 17th December, 2015 "regarding the submission of information on the foreign employer and the report on the activities carried out in the field of labor migration by a legal entity, an individual entrepreneur or a foreign enterprise or a branch (representative office, permanent establishment) of a non-entrepreneurial (non-commercial) legal entity"

2. Resolution №417 of the Government of Georgia made on the 7th of August, 2015 "on the approval of the rule for performing paid labor activity and labor arrangement of the labor immigrant (a foreigner without a permanent residence permit in Georgia) with the local employer.

You can see the full version of the amendments to the above document at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code: 270000000.10.003.024185.

The Resolution came into force upon its publication.

Resolution of the Government of Georgia №509

On the 4th of September, 2023 according to the Resolution №355 of the Government of Georgia in accordance with paragraph 4, Article 20 of the Organic Law of Georgia "on Normative Acts", an amendment was made to the Resolution №509 of the Government of Georgia made on the 29th of December, 2011 "on the approval of service fee rates, fee payment rules and service terms provided



by the legal entity under public law - the National Public Registry Agency acting in the field of governance of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia and subparagraph "m" of the first paragraph of Article 3 of the appendix approved by the resolution was formed with the following redaction:

„m) Preparation of an extract in English from the Register of Entrepreneurs and non-entrepreneurial (non-commercial) legal entities, the Register of Economic Activities and the Register of rights to immovable property - 26 GEL. The mentioned fee is added to the fee of the service with which the preparation of the English extract is requested.

You can see the full version of the above document at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code: 040150000.10.003.024189.

The Resolution came into force upon its publication.

Resolution №523 of the Government of Georgia

On the 7th of September, 2023 according to the Resolution №357 of the Government of Georgia, in accordance with paragraph 4, Article 20 of the Organic Law of Georgia "on Normative Acts" an amendment was made to the Resolution №523 of September 1, 2014 of the Government of Georgia "on approval of the Rules for Determining the Status of a Stateless Person in Georgia" , and in the rule approved by the resolution:

1. The first paragraph of Article 3 was formed with the following redaction:

„1. In order to determine the status, the person with a relevant statement applies to the legal entity under public law - the State Services Development Agency (hereinafter - Agency) operating in the sphere of governance of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia. The application must be accompanied by 2 photographs, size - 3/4, identity proof or travel document issued by a foreign country (if any) and any other document that can be used to confirm the fact that the status seeker



does not have citizenship. If there are no documents to be submitted, the reason for not having the documents should be indicated in the application.

2. Paragraph 5 of Article 6 was formed with the following redaction:

„5. At any stage of the administrative proceedings on status determination, in the event that the circumstances stipulated by Articles 15, 19 and 21 of the Law of Georgia "on International Protection" are revealed, the agency stops the administrative proceedings and sends the materials of the administrative proceedings to the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Georgia no later than 3 working days after the discovery of the relevant circumstances, in order to start the administrative proceedings on determining the status of a refugee, a person under humanitarian or temporary protection.

3. Paragraph 2 of Article 11 was removed.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above Rule at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code: 010120000.10.003.024191.

The Resolution came into force upon its publication.

Resolution №4 of the Council of the National Bank of Georgia

On the 8th of September, 2023 according to Resolution №4 of the Council of the National Bank of Georgia "on the approval of the criteria for determining the suitability of GEL banknotes and coins and the procedure for their acceptance and exchange" paragraphs 2-5 of Article 3 of the Rule approved by the Resolution №4 of the Council of the National Bank of Georgia made on the 27th June , 2011 were formed with the following redaction:

„2. Entrepreneurial entities (except for commercial banks and microbanks) and non-entrepreneurial (non-commercial) legal entities are obliged to accept category I and II GEL banknotes and coins according to their face value during the settlement process.



3. Commercial banks and microbanks are obliged to:

a) For the purpose of settlement or exchange, without any compensation, to receive category I, II and III GEL banknotes and coins smoothly;

b) They should not allow the return of received category II and III GEL banknotes and coins into circulation and ensure that they are handed over to the National Bank of Georgia.

4. In the event that commercial banks and microbanks fail to assign category IV to the damaged GEL banknote and coin, the National Bank of Georgia makes a decision on their suitability.

5. IV category GEL banknotes and coins do not arise an obligation to receive and exchange them and are returned to the owner upon request. In the event that it is not possible to return them to the owner, business entities (except for commercial banks and microbanks) and non-business (non-commercial) legal entities are obliged to hand them over to a commercial bank, microbank or the National Bank of Georgia without any compensation, while commercial banks and microbanks also without requesting compensation - to the National Bank of Georgia."

The attached "register production rules of management organizations on a collective basis of property rules" was approved in accordance with Appendix №1. Also, the form of the register of organizations managing property rights on a collective basis was approved in accordance with Appendix №2.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above Rule at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code:220090000.11.004.016082.

The Resolution came into force upon its publication.

Resolution №255 of the Government of Georgia

On the 11th of September, 2023 according to the Resolution №359 of the Government of Georgia, in accordance with paragraph 4, Article 20 of the Organic Law of Georgia "on Normative Acts", an amendment was made to the Resolution№255 of the Government of Georgia made on



the 5th of June, 2015 "on approval of the list of countries whose citizens can enter Georgia without a visa" and in "the list of countries whose citizens can enter Georgia without a visa" approved by the resolution:

1. After the 95th column, the 96th column was supplemented with the following content:

„96.People's Republic of China."

2. The first paragraph of the note was formed with the following redaction:

„1. Citizens of the countries specified in the appendix have the right to enter Georgia without a visa and stay for a full period of 1 year, except for citizens of Ukraine and the People's Republic of China."

3. After paragraph 1¹ of the note, paragraph 12 should be added with the following content:

„1². Citizens of the People's Republic of China have the right to enter Georgia without a visa and stay for a full 30 days, only for tourism purposes.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above list at the link: <https://matsne.gov.ge>, with the registration code: 010120000.10.003.024192.

The Resolution came into force upon its publication.