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**Rules for issuance,
extension and reduction in validity of visas in the Republic of Kazakhstan.**

1. General Provisions

1. These Rules for issuance, extension and reduction in validity of visas of the Republic of Kazakhstan (hereinafter - the Rules) have been developed in accordance with the *Migration Law* of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 22 July, 2011 (hereinafter the Law), the Consular Statute of the Republic of Kazakhstan, approved by Decree No. 217 of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 27 September 1999, the Rules for Immigrants Entry and Stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan, as well as their Departure from the Republic of Kazakhstan approved by Regulation No. 148 of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 21 January 2012, and shall determine the procedure for issuance, extension and reduction in validity of visas of the Republic of Kazakhstan to foreign nationals.

Provisions of these Rules shall also apply to stateless persons.

2. The following definitions are used in these Rules:

- 1) Stateless person is a person, who is not a national of the Republic of Kazakhstan and has no proof of nationality of another state;
- 2) Business immigrants are immigrants, who come to carry out business activities in accordance with the Law;
- 3) Former compatriot is a person, who was born or previously was a national of the Kazakh Soviet Socialist Republic or the Republic of Kazakhstan, and who is permanently a resident abroad;
- 4) Visa support is an official invitation for a foreign national to the Republic of Kazakhstan registered with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan (hereinafter - the RoK MFA);
- 5) Travel document is an international passport or other document, entitling a foreign national or a stateless person to cross the State border of the Republic of Kazakhstan, issued by the state or an international organization recognized by the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 6) Immigrant is a foreign national or a stateless person, who arrived in the Republic of Kazakhstan for temporary or permanent residence;
- 7) Entry and exit permit (hereinafter - the visa) is a mark of authorized state agencies of the Republic of Kazakhstan in a migrant's passport or other document, which gives the right to enter the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, travel through its territory, stay and leave the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan for time, for the purpose of and under conditions specified in the visa;

- 8) Foreign establishments of the Republic of Kazakhstan (hereinafter - the RoK foreign establishments) are diplomatic and similar representation offices, as well as consular offices of the Republic of Kazakhstan located abroad;
- 9) Application is a written visa request submitted by a legal entity or an individual, including persons intending to visit the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 10) Instruction of the RoK MFA is a prompt decision of officials of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan taken to solve specific problems including those based on the instruction of the Presidential Administration of the Republic of Kazakhstan and (or) the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan, appeals of the RoK foreign establishments, state agencies and organizations, diplomatic missions, consular offices of foreign states, international organizations and their missions accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 11) Seasonal foreign workers are immigrants engaged by employers for seasonal work, which due to climatic or other natural conditions is performed within a certain period (season), but not more than one year;
- 12) Missionary activities are activities of foreign nationals on behalf of religious communities registered in the Republic of Kazakhstan, aimed at dissemination of doctrinal statements in the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 13) Confirmation letter is a written request of the inviting party to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan to confirm the invitation to a foreign national or a stateless person executed in the form set in Annex 1 to these Rules;
- 14) Permanent residence permit is a document issued by the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan to immigrants subject to compliance with the requirements, and which gives them the right to permanent residence in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 15) Force-major circumstances are events beyond the reasonable control occurred due to emergency and unavoidable circumstances (natural disasters, acts of war and other similar events);
- 16) International principle of reciprocity is a mutual provision of equal conditions for visa processing for nationals of two states;
- 17) International organization is an interstate or intergovernmental organization;
- 18) Inviting person is a person, residing in the Republic of Kazakhstan and facilitating the entry of members of his/her family in the Republic of Kazakhstan with the purpose of family reunification in accordance with the Law;
- 19) Inviting party is central state agencies of the Republic of Kazakhstan, offices of Akims in regions (cities of republican status, the capital), diplomatic missions, consular offices of foreign states, international organizations and their missions accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan, individuals and legal entities registered in the Republic of Kazakhstan (hereinafter - a legal entity) applied for a visa to foreign nationals or stateless persons;
- 20) Foreign national (foreigner) is a person, who is not a national of the Republic of Kazakhstan and has proof of nationality of a different state;
- 21) Ethnic Kazakh is a foreign national or a stateless person of Kazakh ethnicity, permanently residing abroad.

3. If an international treaty, to which the Republic of Kazakhstan is a party, stipulates other rules than those provided for in these Rules, the rules of the international treaty shall apply.

4. Visas shall be issued:

- 1) abroad – by RoK foreign establishments;
- 2) in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan:
by the RoK MFA;

by offices of the migration police of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Departments of Internal Affairs of Astana, Almaty cities and regions (hereinafter - the RoK MIA).

Kazakhstan visas shall be issued based on visa support and pursuant to the provisions of these Rules.

5. Extension of visas shall be made by the RoK MFA and the RoK MIA according to the procedure established by these Rules.

6. When making decisions on visa support, visa issuance (visa category, number of entries and validity) and stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan, political and migration situation in the country of nationality or permanent residence of a foreign national or a stateless person shall be taken into account.

7. Visa documents shall be agreed upon with the National Security Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan (hereinafter - the RoK NSC) using the information system.

8. Visas shall be signed by:

- 1) authorized officer of the RoK MFA and RoK foreign establishments
- 2) authorized officers of the RoK MIA.

9. Specimen of signatures of authorized officers of the RoK MFA, the RoK foreign establishments and the RoK MIA, authorized to sign visas, shall be sent in three copies to the RoK MFA, the RoK MIA, and the Frontier Service of the RoK NSC.

10. Issued visas shall be registered in the information system or in the Visa Register of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the form as specified in Annex 2 to these Rules or in a log made by printing issued visas from the information system. Logs should be numbered, laced and sealed and signed by an authorized officer of the RoK MFA, the RoK foreign establishment or the RoK MIA.

The RoK MFA, the RoK MIA and the RoK NSC shall keep a common statistics in the information system for visas issued and agreed.

11. Blank forms of visa stickers are the documents of high security, which shall be made against the RoK MFA order. The RoK MFA shall exercise control over movement and use of visa sticker blank forms.

12. The RoK foreign establishments shall monthly submit a statistical report to the RoK MFA on visas issued, funds received as payment of consular fees in the forms according to Annex 3 to these Rules, by the 5th day of the month.

Offices of the Migration Police of the Departments of Internal Affairs of Astana, Almaty cities and regions shall submit a statistical report to the RoK MIA on visas issued, visa validity periods, funds received as payment of the state duty, use of visa stickers in the form according to Annex 4 to these Rules.

The RoK MIA shall quarterly submit a statistical report to the RoK MFA about visas issued, visas extended, funds received as payment of the state duty, use of visa stickers in the form according to Annex 5 of these Rules.

2. Number of entries, visa validity and period of stay.

13. Visas can be single entry, double entry, triple entry and multiple.

14. Single entry visa entitles a foreign national or a stateless person (hereinafter - visa recipients) to a single entry into the Republic of Kazakhstan and exit from the Republic of Kazakhstan. Double, triple and multiple entry visas entitle a visa recipient to double, triple and multiple entries into the Republic of Kazakhstan and exit from the Republic of Kazakhstan within the visa validity.

Single entry visas entitle to one-time exit from the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

15. Visa recipients, number of entries, visa validity and period of stay in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be determined in accordance with Annex 6 to these Rules.
16. Given the international principle of reciprocity, visas can be issued for a longer period of time than provided for in Annex 6 to these Rules.

3. Visa types and categories.

17. Visas are divided into the following types:

- 1) Non-immigrant
- 2) Immigrant
- 3) Exit.

18. Non-immigrant visas include:

- 1) Diplomatic – A1, A2 and A3
- 2) Service – B1, B2 and B3
- 3) Investor – C1 and C2
- 4) Business – D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, D7 and D8
- 5) Missionary – E1, E2 and E3
- 6) Tourist – F1
- 7) Private – G1, G2, G3 and G4
- 8) Transit – H1

19. Immigrant visas include:

- 1) Residency – J1, J2 and J3
- 2) Family reunification – K1, K2, K3
- 3) Study – L1 and L2
- 4) Work – M1, M2, M3, M4 and M5
- 5) Humanitarian – N1 and N2

20. Exit visas include P1, P2, P3, P4, P5, P6, P7 and P8.

21. Visa type and category should match the purpose of a visa recipient's stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan. Description of visa types and categories are set out in Annex 6 to these Rules.

4. Non-immigrant visa.

Article 1. Diplomatic visa.

22. A1 and A2 category visas are issued on the basis of:

- 1) visa support;
- 2) note verbale;
- 3) the RoK MFA instruction.

A3 visa is issued against visa support executed on the basis of a note verbale of a diplomatic mission, consular office of a foreign state, international organization or its representative office accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan with indication of a position of an invited person, to which he/she has been appointed; in the case of a rotation, position, surname and name of an employee, in whose place he/she has been appointed, shall be specified.

A1, A2 single entry visa for nationals of the countries mentioned in the list of countries, whose nationals are exempt from the requirement to produce visa support or an invitation for processing A1, A2, B1, B2, D1 and G1 single entry visas, as well as F1 category single entry and double entry visas according to Annex 7 hereof (hereinafter - the List of States), shall be issued on application without an invitation or visa support letters subject to compliance with the requirements of these Rules.

23. A1, A2 and A3 visas shall not be issued:

- 1) if a person submits a diplomatic passport, the diplomatic quality of which is not recognized in the Republic of Kazakhstan
- 2) to persons, who deliver diplomatic mails and do not have diplomatic passports

Article 2. Service visa

24. B1, B2 and B3 category visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for the service purpose.

25. B1 and B2 category visas shall be issued on the basis of:

- 1) visa support;
- 2) note verbale;
- 3) application.

B3 category visa is issued against visa support executed on the basis of a note verbale of a diplomatic mission, consular office of a foreign state, international organization or its representative office accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan with indication of a position of an invited person, to which he/she has been appointed, and in case of a rotation - with indication of a position, surname and name of an employee, in whose place he/she has been appointed.

B1, B2 single entry visas for nationals of the countries mentioned in the List of States shall be issued on application without an invitation letter and visa support subject to compliance with the requirements of these Rules.

Article 3. Investor visa

26. C1 and C2 visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for investing purposes.
27. C1 visa is issued against visa support executed on application of the RoK authorized investment agency.
28. C2 visa is issued without an invitation letter within three working days at the RoK MFA direction or based on requests of the heads of the RoK foreign establishments upon petitions of foreign legal entities or the RoK authorized investment agency.

Article 4. Business visa

29. D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, D7, D8 visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for business purposes.
30. D1 visa is issued on the basis of a visa support, the RoK MFA's instruction or applications of nationals of the states mentioned in the List of States.
D1 single entry visa to nationals of the states mentioned in the List of States shall be issued on application without an invitation letter and visa support subject to compliance with the requirements of these Rules.
31. D2 visa is issued on the basis of visa support or the RoK MFA's instruction against documents confirming the need for continued stay of a foreign national in the Republic of Kazakhstan for more than 30 days during the year (notarized copies of contracts, agreements in Kazakh or Russian languages).
32. D3 visa is issued upon visa support or the RoK MFA instruction against documents confirming the need for multiple entries into the Republic of Kazakhstan (notarized copies of contracts, agreements in Kazakh or Russian languages).
33. D4 visa is issued on the basis of a visa support or the RoK MFA instruction.
34. D5, D6, D7 visas are issued against visa support or the RoK MFA instruction or on the basis of the international principle of reciprocity.

35. D8 visa is issued on the basis of a visa support executed against a confirmation letter from the RoK Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
36. Visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan based on D4 and D5 visas, shall enter the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan only in transport corresponding to the visa category received.
D1, D2, D3 visas are issued to ethnic Kazakhs (based on documentary proof of their ethnic background) on the basis of an application without an invitation letter, visa support and special provisions for D2 and D3 visas, subject to compliance with the requirements of these Rules.

Article 5. Missionary Visa

37. E1, E2 and E3 visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for mission purposes.
E3 visa is issued against visa support and documents confirming relationship with persons applying for E2 visa, provided submission of a copy of the issued E2 visa.
Validity period of this visa category shall not exceed the validity period of visa of the main family member, having the E2 visa.
38. E1, E2 and E3 visas are issued against visa support executed on the basis of an invitation letter agreed with the competent authority exercising the state regulation of religious activities.
39. E1, E2 and E3 visas are issued only in the RoK foreign establishment located in the country of nationality or permanent residence of a visa recipient, and in its absence - in the RoK foreign establishment accredited concurrently.

Article 6. Tourist visa

40. F1 visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for tourism purposes.
F1 visas are issued based on visa support or the RoK MFA instruction upon availability of a confirmation about hosting of a visa recipient by an entity, engaged in tour operator or travel agency activities, or upon an application of nationals of the states mentioned in the List of States.
F1 single and double entry visas to nationals of the states mentioned in the List of States are issued upon applications without an invitation letter or visa support, subject to compliance with the requirements of these Rules.
F1 visas are issued to ethnic Kazakhs (based on documentary proof of their ethnic background) on the basis of applications without an invitation letter or visa support, subject to compliance with the requirements of these Rules.

Article 7. Private visa

41. G1, G2, G3 and G4 visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for a private purpose.
42. G1 visas are issued on the basis of any of the following documents:
- 1) Instruction of the RoK MFA executed based on invitations to foreign establishments, consular offices of foreign states, international organizations and their representative offices accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan;
 - 2) Application of ethnic Kazakhs, against documentary proof of their and their family members' ethnic background;

- 3) Application of nationals of the states mentioned in the List of States;
 - 4) Invitation letters of the nationals of the Republic of Kazakhstan, foreigner national or stateless persons, permanently residing in the Republic of Kazakhstan, as agreed upon with the RoK MIA;
 - 5) Instruction of the RoK MFA executed based on a decision of the Committee of the correctional system of the RoK Ministry of Internal Affairs in respect of visa recipients, travelling to meet with persons, who serve sentences in correctional facilities in the Republic of Kazakhstan;
 - 6) Applications of visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan to funerals or in case of illness of their family members / relatives, subject to submission of supporting documents;
 - 7) Application of a visa recipient against documents proving the history of relationship with the Republic of Kazakhstan (indication of birth in the Republic of Kazakhstan in the national passport or a birth certificate of the Republic of Kazakhstan, a document proving a relative buried in the Republic of Kazakhstan, a certificate of renunciation of nationality of the Republic of Kazakhstan or a certificate of loss of nationality of the Republic of Kazakhstan);
 - 8) Applications of the Republic of Kazakhstan nationals, entering the Republic of Kazakhstan with their spouses, children (including adopted children) or parents (guardians, trustees), who are visa recipients.

G1 single entry visas with the validity period of 30 days for nationals of the states mentioned in the List of States are issued upon applications without an invitation letter or visa support, subject to compliance with the requirements of these Rules.

G1 visas are issued to ethnic Kazakhs (based on documentary proof of their ethnic background) on the basis of an application without an invitation letter or visa support, subject to compliance with the requirements of these Rules.
43. G2 visas are issued on the basis of any of the following documents:
- 1) Visa support or an invitation letter of the RoK MFA upon availability of an invitation from a medical organization located in the Republic of Kazakhstan, primarily engaged in provision of medical services (hereinafter - a medical organization) in respect of visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for treatment, medical examination or consultations;
 - 2) Application of an inviting party or an inviting person against documents, confirming the need for treatment in a hospital, issued by medical organizations in respect of visa recipients that stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan, in case of need for their treatment in a hospital;
 - 3) Application or visa support against documents, confirming that a patient undergoes hospital treatment, issued by medical organizations in respect of visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan or staying in the Republic of Kazakhstan in order to care for close relatives being the nationals of the Republic of Kazakhstan, or foreigners, permanently residing in the Republic of Kazakhstan and receiving hospital treatment;
 - 4) Documents confirming the circumstances provided for in items 1) and 2) of this Article in respect of visa recipients accompanying persons referred to in items 1) and 2) of this Article.
44. G3 visas are issued upon visa support against application from a competent authority of the Republic of Kazakhstan for protection of children's rights.
45. G4 visas are issued to persons under legal age, on the basis of a request of parents - nationals of the Republic of Kazakhstan (guardians or trustees), who are visa recipients permanently residing in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 8. Transit visa

46. H1 visas are issued to visa recipients who transit through the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
H1 visa is issued on application against travel documents, issued visa or other grounds entitling to enter the country of destination.
47. H1 visa is issued to a foreign national, who transit through the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan to a neighbouring state on a personal vehicle, upon availability of documents referred to in Article 46 of these Rules, as well as a driver's license and documents confirming the ownership of a vehicle.

5. Immigrant visa

Article 1. Residency Visa

48. J1, J2 and J3 visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan or staying in the Republic of Kazakhstan for permanent residence.
49. J1 visas are issued on the basis of the RoK MFA instruction or documents referred to in Paragraph 7 of the List of documents required for issuance of Kazakhstan visas in accordance with Annex 8 hereof (hereinafter - the List of documents), provided a positive decision of the Commission for inclusion of repatriates in immigration quotas under Article 19 of the Law.
50. J2 visas are issued upon visa support, the RoK MFA instruction or documents referred to in Paragraph 8 of the List of documents as agreed upon with the RoK MIA and the RoK NSC.
51. J3 visas are issued based on applications of nationals of the states mentioned in the List of States and ethnic Kazakhs (based on documentary proof of their ethnic background) for permanent residence in the Republic of Kazakhstan.
J1 and J2 visas serve as a basis for issuance of a permanent residence permit and residence permit for a foreign national or stateless person in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 2. Family reunification

52. K1, K2 and K3 visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for the purpose of family reunification.
53. K1 visa is issued on the basis of the RoK MFA instruction or an invitation letter of the Republic of Kazakhstan nationals residing in the Republic of Kazakhstan as agreed upon with the RoK MIA.
54. K2 visa is issued on the basis of the RoK MFA instruction or an invitation letter of foreigners and stateless persons, who are ethnic Kazakhs or former compatriots and have received a temporary residence permit in the Republic of Kazakhstan (for a period of not less than two years) as agreed upon with the RoK MIA.
55. K3 visa is issued on the basis of the RoK MFA instruction or an invitation letter of foreigners and stateless persons permanently residing in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, as well as business immigrants, as agreed upon with the RoK MIA.
56. Inviting persons are:
 - 1) Nationals of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
 - 2) Ethnic Kazakhs and former compatriots temporarily residing in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
 - 3) Immigrants, permanently residing in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and business immigrants.

For the purpose of family reunification inviting persons shall apply for entry into the Republic of Kazakhstan for their family, who are visa recipients, in accordance with the Law.

Article 3. Study

57. L1 and L2 visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for the purpose of study.
58. L1 and L2 visas are issued on the basis of visa support or the RoK MFA instruction, against application of an educational institution of the Republic of Kazakhstan or an authorized education agency of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 4. Work

59. M1, M2, M3, M4 and M5 visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan with the purpose of work.
60. M1 visa is issued to:
 - 1) A visa recipient upon availability of visa support executed on the basis of a permit issued to a foreign worker for employment or to an employer to engage foreign labour;
 - 2) Visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan to work, who are not required to obtain a permit to work or engage foreign labour in accordance with the RoK laws and international treaties, to which the Republic of Kazakhstan is a party.
61. M2 visa is issued against visa support executed on the basis of a confirmation letter of a legal entity, documents proving relationship with persons applying for M1 visa, as well as copies of M1 visa issued to them.

Validity period of this visa category should not exceed the validity period of visa of the main family member, who has M1 visa.

62. M3 visa is issued on the basis of visa support.
63. M4 visa is issued upon availability of visa support executed on the basis of a confirmation letter of local executive bodies of the capital, cities of the republican status and regions of the Republic of Kazakhstan in accordance with Annex 1 to these Rules.

M4 visa is issued to persons applying for visa by the RoK MFA and the RoK foreign establishments.

Entry visas and temporary residence permits of business immigrants from among ethnic Kazakhs, including nationals arriving from the states that have signed visa-free entry and stay agreements with the Republic of Kazakhstan, are issued for a period of up to three years.
64. M5 visa is issued against visa support executed on the basis of a confirmation letter of a legal entity and for the term of a permit issued to a foreign worker for employment or to an employer to engage foreign labour.
65. Visa to foreign workers, arriving in the Republic of Kazakhstan to work in the Regional Financial Centre of Almaty (hereinafter the RFAC), is issued on arrival in the international airport of Almaty upon availability of visa support executed on the basis of a confirmation letter of the authorized body for regulation of RFCA activities.

Article 5. Humanitarian Immigration

66. N1 and N2 visas are issued to visa recipients, travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan or staying in the Republic of Kazakhstan on humanitarian grounds.
67. N1 and N2 visas are issued on the basis of visa support, against an application of an international organization office accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan or a foreign non-

governmental organization (fund) officially registered in the country of its location in accordance with the laws of that country.

6. Exit visa

68. P1, P2, P3, P4, P5, P6, P7 and P8 single exit visas are issued for exit from the Republic of Kazakhstan, unless otherwise stipulated by the international treaties of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
69. P1 visa is issued on the basis of the internal affairs agencies' permit.
70. P2 visa is issued on the basis of an application or a certificate of return to the country of residence or an identity document, provided availability of data confirming the entry into the Republic of Kazakhstan and registration in the internal affairs agencies.
71. P3 visa is issued on the basis of the internal affairs agencies' conclusion on absence of grounds for further stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan. Reduction in the period of stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be made by cancellation of the issued visa and processing of the exit visa.
72. P4 visa is issued on the basis of court decisions and the internal affairs agencies' conclusion on absence of grounds for further stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan.
73. P5 visa is issued on the basis of the internal affairs agencies' conclusion on absence of grounds for further stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan, unless the factual background entails bringing to administrative or criminal responsibility.
74. P6 visa is issued on the basis of an application of the Correctional System Committee of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
75. P7 visa is issued on the basis of documents confirming occurrence of force major, delay or cancellation of flight, departure of train or other vehicle that prevent from exit from the Republic of Kazakhstan before expiration of visa or visa-free period of stay.
76. P8 visa is issued on the basis of an application against a statement registration coupon-notice issued by the prosecuting agency.

7. Visa replacing documents

77. Visa replacing document are as follows:
 - 1) accreditation certificate issued by the RoK MFA to heads, personnel of diplomatic missions, international organizations and (or) their representatives, officers of consulates accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan, as well as members of their families;
 - 2) residence permit of a foreign national in the Republic of Kazakhstan issued by the RoK MIA;
 - 3) certificate of stateless person issued by the RoK MIA;
 - 4) court decision on deportation of a foreign national from the Republic of Kazakhstan upon availability of a deportation stamp in the travel document;
 - 5) certificate of refugee status issued by the RoK MIA;
 - 6) certificate of an asylum-seeker issued by the RoK MIA.

8. Group visa

78. Group visa is issued for organized entry of groups of foreign national into the Republic of Kazakhstan and exit from the Republic of Kazakhstan or transit through the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

79. A precondition for issuance of group visas is simultaneous arrival and crossing the State border checkpoint (hereinafter - the checkpoint) of all members of the group at the border, when entering the Republic of Kazakhstan and exiting from the Republic of Kazakhstan, stay at any point and movement in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan in group.

80. Group visa is issued in the form of the list of names in alphabetical order in accordance with Annex 9 to these Rules.

In this case, a visa is stick on a separate sheet of paper.

The word “Group” is indicated in visa box “*паспорттың №/passport №*”, a number of entering (exiting) persons by the list is indicated in box “*қосымша мәліметтер/additional information*” (for example: “List of 25 people is attached”).

The below record is stamped in the bottom of the page with visa:

This visa is valid only upon presentation of an identification travel document with photo by each person named in the attached list (starting with the surname of _____ and ending with the surname of _____) at the checkpoint.

A sheet with visa is stapled with the list by bending the upper left corner that is stamped with the official seal of the RoK MFA, the RoK foreign establishment or RoK MIA, which issued the visa.

A consular officer (the RoK MIA officer), who issued the visa, shall sign at the bottom of the list (indicating surname and position), and the RoK MFA, the RoK foreign establishment or the RoK MIA stamp shall be affixed on the signature.

The list and the sheet with visa shall be made in a single copy; the original is issued to a group leader; one copy shall be submitted at the checkpoint at entry/ exit to/from the Republic of Kazakhstan, the other one remains with the RoK foreign establishment, the RoK MFA or the RoK MIA, which issued the visa. No amendments to the list shall be allowed.

9. Visa support

81. To invite visa recipients, the RoK governmental agencies, diplomatic missions, consular offices of foreign states, international organizations and their representative offices accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan shall execute visa support by submitting a confirmation letter to the RoK MFA.

82. Inviting party shall submit a confirmation letter with the documents listed in Annex 10 to these Rules to the RoK MFA.

Documents for visa support can be sent by inviting party to the RoK MFA via the information system.

83. A confirmation letter shall be submitted no later than two weeks before the intended date of entry into the Republic of Kazakhstan.

84. A confirmation letter shall be prepared in three copies, two of which shall be submitted to the RoK MFA, the third one shall be sent to visa recipients as visa support.

In case of invitation of two or more persons, information about invitees shall be submitted in electronic form and executed in accordance with Annex 11 of these Rules.

85. Documents for visa support submitted to the RoK MFA and containing invalid data shall not be accepted for approval and shall be resubmitted to the RoK MFA after corrections have been made by the inviting party.

86. The term for visa support execution shall be not exceed 5 working days.

In case a more thorough examination of submitted visa documents (additional documents) is required, the documents shall be sent for approval to the RoK NSC.

In such a case, the specified period shall be extended until a positive resolution of the RoK NSC.

87. Upon review of the documents submitted, the RoK MFA guided by these Rules, shall take a decision on visa support, periods of visa validity, duration of stay and place of receipt of Kazakhstan visa by a foreigner, or visa support denial.
The RoK MFA shall deny visa support for persons, who have restrictions for entry into the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, without quoting the reasons for denial.
88. Inviting party shall be committed to make timely clarification to foreign nationals of their rights and obligations provided for by the RoK legislation.
Applications for invitation of visa recipients to the Republic of Kazakhstan from individuals and legal entities, who have repeatedly failed to enforce the RoK law on the legal status of foreign nationals and immigration laws by invited foreigners, shall not be reviewed.

10. Visa processing

1. Visa Issuance

89. Visas of all categories are issued on a special adhesive paper-carrier in the form of a sticker with protective properties against forgery. Visa sticker consists of a visa (original) and its counterfoil with the same serial number. An issued visa is stripped into a travel document or a group visa list, and a counterfoil of the visa sticker is stripped into a space specially designated in the visa application form.
Visa shall contain the following information:
- 1) Code of institution that issued the visa;
 - 2) Number of entries granted by the visa;
 - 3) Visa category and period of stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan;
 - 4) Visa issuance date;
 - 5) Surname, first name and patronymic (if any) of a visa recipient;
 - 6) Number of a travel document granting the right to cross the State border of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
 - 7) Visa validity start date;
 - 8) Visa validity end date;
 - 9) Surname, name, patronymic of the inviting individual or a full name of the inviting legal entity;
 - 10) Additional information;
 - 11) Information on payment of consular fees or state tax;
 - 12) Information about accompanying persons;
 - 13) Surname of a person issuing the visa.
- The above details shall be filled in accordance with Annex 12 to these Rules.
90. No corrections in a visa shall be allowed. Visas with corrections shall be void.
91. No change in a visa category from one to another on the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be allowed, except for changes in categories G2, J3 and L1.
92. Visas shall be issued to visa recipients upon presentation of travel documents, unless they raise doubts with respect to authenticity and ownership of their holders.
Travel document shall contain at least two blank pages.
93. To process a visa in the RoK MFA, the RoK foreign establishments shall submit documents specified in the List of documents; documents specified in the List of documents to be submitted to the RoK MIA shall be submitted to the RoK MIA in accordance with Annex 13 to these Rules
In order to clarify and confirm the information provided, at the consular officer's request one or more documents mentioned in the List of additional documents required for issuance of Kazakhstan visas in accordance with Annex 14 to these Rules shall be submitted additionally.

During consideration of applications, visa recipients shall be invited to interview with the authorized officer of the RoK foreign establishment.

94. Visa validity period shall expire not less than 3 months before the expiry date of a travel document.
95. In case of unconditioned erasures and corrections, not stamped photos or embroidered pages have been detected in travel documents, visas shall not be issued to holders of such documents. In case of visa denial due to provision of invalid or fraudulent travel documents, the RoK foreign establishments and the RoK MIA shall notify the RoK MFA accordingly.
96. Visa application form shall be filled legibly by hand or using technical facilities in the state language of the RoK foreign establishment's host country or in Kazakh language or English language in the form according to Annex 15 to these Rules.
Answers to questions in the visa application form shall be exhaustive. Visa application form shall be signed personally by a visa recipient.
The size of a photo shall be 3.5x4.5 cm (black-and-white or colour with a clear image of full face without glasses with tinted lens and without headdress, except for those persons, for whom constant wearing of headdress is a mandatory attribute of their ethnic or religious affiliation, provided that this person has the same headdress on the photo in the travel document).

11. Visa issuance procedure

97. The RoK MFA and foreign establishments shall issue primary visas of all categories, except for exit visas.
98. Visas in the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be issued by:
 - 1) the RoK MFA – primary visas of all categories, except for exit visas;
 - 2) the RoK MIA – G2 visas to persons referred to in sub-paragraphs 2), 3) and 4) of paragraph 43 of these Rules, G4, J3, L1 visas to ethnic Kazakhs temporarily arrived in the Republic of Kazakhstan and admitted to Kazakhstan educational institutions, as well as exit visas of all categories.
99. In case a place of visa issuance specified in visa support has been changed, a visa shall be issued by the RoK foreign establishment at place of application as agreed upon with the RoK MFA.
Visas to nationals of the states, where RoK consular offices are not available, shall be issued on the basis of visa support or the RoK MFA instruction, in consular offices of the RoK MFA at the international airports of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
100. In case of any reasons preventing entry into the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, including cases where visa support is available, visas shall not be issued and processed visas shall not serve as a basis for entry into the Republic of Kazakhstan.
101. Divisions of the RoK NSC shall ensure coordination of visa processing within 3 days. No visa shall be issued without the RoK NSC coordination, except for exit and J3 visas. If a more detailed examination of reasons for visa issuance is required, the indicated period may be extended up to 7 days.
102. In case of reviewing the application, the person referred to in paragraph 8 of these Rules shall:
 - 1) verify an inviting party and an individual against the list of legal entities and individuals, who previously failed to ensure compliance with the RoK immigration laws by invitees;
 - 2) compare answers to questions in a visa application form with data in a travel document and information obtained during an interview with a visa recipient in personal presence or from other sources;
 - 3) verify that a travel document entitles a visa recipient to return to the country of permanent residence or exit to another country after visiting the Republic of Kazakhstan.

103. In the course of review of an application, the consular officer shall hold an interview with a foreign national, in whose country of nationality or permanent residence unstable political and migration situation is observed.
104. Following review of an application, officers shall make a decision on visa issuance, its validity period and duration of stay or visa denial.
105. Visa processing period shall not exceed 5 working days, except for J1 and J2 visas. On the basis of the international principle of reciprocity, visa processing period take longer time. For a thorough examination of submitted visa application documents or submission of additional documents, the specified period shall be extended to 30 calendar days.
106. The RoK MFA and foreign establishments shall deny visa issuance to foreign nationals, who have limitations for entry into the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, without advising the reasons for denial. The RoK foreign establishments shall inform the RoK MFA on the fact of visa denial specifying the reasons for denial.
107. Visa shall be issued after payment of consular fees or the state tax in accordance with the RoK legislation, unless otherwise has been stipulated by the international treaties, to which the Republic of Kazakhstan is a party.
According to the RoK Code *On Taxes and Other Mandatory Payments to the Budget* (Tax Code), amounts of consular fees paid shall not be refundable.
108. In case a foreigner's travel document contains unused visa, or the validity of which has not expired, a new visa shall be issued providing the cancellation of a previous one.
109. In case a visa has been issued to a person, who submitted a travel document of the state, which is not recognized by the Republic of Kazakhstan, it shall be stripped into a separate sheet of paper, which shall be seized after expiration of visa upon departure of a visa recipient from the Republic of Kazakhstan by the representatives of the RoK NSC Frontier Service with subsequent delivery to the RoK MFA.
110. Travel documents of nationals of the states mentioned in the List of states shall be registered at the checkpoints on the RoK State Border.

12. Grounds for visa denial

111. Visa shall be denied to a visa recipient in the following cases:
 - 1) in the interests of national security, protection of public order and (or) public health;
 - 2) if his/her actions are aimed at forcible change of the constitutional order;
 - 3) if he/she acts against the sovereignty and independence of the Republic of Kazakhstan, calls for violation of the unity and integrity of its territory;
 - 4) if he/she stirs up the interstate, ethnic or religious hostility;
 - 5) if it is necessary to protect the legitimate rights and interests of nationals of the Republic of Kazakhstan and other persons;
 - 6) if the facts of infringement of the legislation on the legal status of foreigners by a visa recipient during his/her a previous stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan have been revealed;
 - 7) if applying for entry, he/she reported false information or failed to provide a complete set of documents required by these Rules;
 - 8) if he/she has been convicted of terrorist activities, or adjudged as a special dangerous recidivist;
 - 9) if he/she has failed to submit a confirmation on availability of funds necessary to stay in and exit from the Republic of Kazakhstan, except for repatriates, persons who was born or was used to be a national of the Republic of Kazakhstan or the Kazakh Soviet Socialist Republic, and members of their families;
 - 10) in failure to comply with conditions for obtaining a visa as provided for in these Rules.

112. Reasons for visa denial shall not be explained to visa applicants. The RoK foreign establishments shall inform the RoK MFA on the fact of visa denial specifying the reasons for denial.
113. Persons previously deported from the Republic of Kazakhstan shall not be permitted to entry the Republic of Kazakhstan within 5 years from the date of the court's decision on deportation.
114. Exit visa shall be denied to visa recipients in the following cases:
 - 1) if there are grounds for bringing him/her to criminal responsibility – until the end of proceedings;
 - 2) if a foreign national has been convicted of a crime – until completion of sentence or relief from punishment;
 - 3) if a foreign national refuses to perform the obligations imposed by the court – until fulfilment of obligations.
115. Exit of a visa recipient from the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be delayed until the he/has fulfilled his/her estate liabilities, which are associated with material interests of nationals of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and other individuals and legal entities.

13. Visa extension procedure.

116. Visa validity period shall be extended within 5 working days on the basis of documents specified in paragraph 118 of these Rules and documents confirming the need to extend the period of stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan, or due to force major circumstances.
117. Visa shall be extended by issuance of the same category visa indicating the number of the expired visa, in the box “*қосымша мәліметтер / additional information*” (e.g., extension of visa No. 1140610729).
118. The RoK MFA shall extend the following visa categories:
 - 1) A1, A2, B1, B2 categories for persons, who has come to the Republic of Kazakhstan at the invitation of the RoK governmental bodies, diplomatic missions and consular offices of foreign states, international organizations and their missions accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan, based on written applications of the mentioned organizations. Visa shall be extended for up to one (1) year;
 - 2) C1 and C2 categories – based on the letter of the RoK authorized investments agency. Visa shall be extended for up to one (1) year;
 - 3) D1, D2, D3 categories to persons, who have come to the Republic of Kazakhstan at the invitation of the governmental bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan, diplomatic missions and consular offices of foreign states, international organizations and their missions accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan, based on written applications of these organizations. Visa shall be extended for up to 180 days.
119. The RoK MIA shall extend the following visa categories:
 - 1) E1, E2 and E3 categories based on a written request of a religious association registered in the Republic of Kazakhstan agreed with the competent authority exercising the state regulation of religious activities. Visa validity period shall be extended for up to 180 days;
 - 2) D8 category based on the RoK Ministry of Defence's written request of. Visa validity period shall be extended for up to one (1) year;
 - 3) K1, K2, K3 categories based on the inviting party's written request for a term defined by the Law;

- 4) L1 category on the basis of a written request of the authorized body on education or an institution registered in the Republic of Kazakhstan. Validity of visa is extended for up to one (1) year;
 - 5) M1 category based on a written request of an inviting party, which previously processed visa support for an initial visa and a permit for work or engagement of foreign labour, if such permit is required in accordance with Resolution No. 45 of the RoK Government dated January 13, 2012 *Rules of Establishing Quotas for Foreign Labour in the Republic of Kazakhstan*. M1 visa shall be extended for a permit validity period;
 - 6) M2 category based on a written request of an inviting party and a copy of M1 visa issued or extended for persons listed in sub-paragraphs 1) and 2) of paragraph 60 of these Rules. Visa M2 shall be extended for a term of M1 visa;
 - 7) P8 category based on a written request of the authority, conducting preliminary investigations, or a court, where a criminal case is judged, for the period necessary to complete the preliminary investigation or court hearings, but no more than for 180 days.
120. The RoK MFA and the RoK MIA shall extend the following visa categories:
- 1) G2 category - on the basis of a written request of the authorized public healthcare agency or its territorial subdivisions of the regions, Astana and Almaty cities. Visa shall be extended for a period necessary for treatment, but not over one (1) year;
 - 2) L2 category - on the basis of written applications of legal entities, diplomatic missions and consular offices of foreign states, international organizations and their missions accredited in the Republic of Kazakhstan. Visa shall be extended for a period of practical training or internship, but not over one (1) year.
121. Visa validity periods, except as provided in these Rules, shall not be extended.
122. E1, E2, and E3 visas shall be extended only once.
123. Extension of E1, E2, E3, G2, K1, K2, K3, L1, L2, M1, M2 visas shall be agreed with the RoK NSC.
The RoK NSC divisions shall ensure coordination of visa processing within 3 days.
124. Only inviting parties, which have previously executed an invitation for a primary visa, may apply for visa extension. Applications from other persons shall not be considered, except for L1 and L2 visa categories.

14. Final provisions.

125. Visas to visa recipients who arrived in the Republic of Kazakhstan without a visa for the purpose, providing for issuance of non-immigrant visa, and have an executed invitation, shall be issued by the RoK MFA for up to 10 days.
In case of force major circumstances, visas to visa recipients arrived in the Republic of Kazakhstan without a visa for the purpose, providing for issuance of a non-immigrant visa, and without an invitation, shall be issued on the RoK MFA instruction for up to 3 days.
126. Unless otherwise has been stipulated by the international treaties, to which the Republic of Kazakhstan is a party, consular fees or a state tax shall be imposed for visa issuance, including its extension and recovery.
127. Consular fees for visa support and visa issuance shall not be charged in cases provided for by the RoK tax laws.
128. In case of errors in a visa made by the RoK MFA officers, the RoK foreign establishments or the RoK MIA, the visa of the same category and with the same number of entries shall be re-issued without payment of consular fees or a state tax.
129. If during a period of a recipient's stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan, his/her travel document becomes ineffective for further use and its holder obtains a new travel document, the visa shall be transferred.

The MFA shall transfer all categories of visas issued by the RoK MFA or foreign establishments.

The RoK MIA shall transfer visas, except for visa categories A1, A2, A3, B1, B2, B3, at the place of temporary registration of a visa recipient.

130. In case of an error made in a visa sticker, which has not been stripped into a travel document, it shall be cancelled.
131. In case of an error made in a visa sticker after it has been stripped into a travel document, it shall be cancelled and a new visa shall be stripped onto another page.
132. Visa shall be cancelled as follows:
 - If it has been detected that visa conditions have not been met at the time of its issuance;
 - If there are substantial grounds to believe that the visa has been obtained fraudulently;
 - If it has been detected that visa conditions are no longer performed or exist.
133. The RoK MFA, the MIA and foreign establishments shall perform cancellation of visas within the powers set out in these Rules.
134. In case of a damage / cancellation of visas for various reasons (change of dates, categories, etc.), copies of pages with photo and passport data of a travel document, and a page with a spoiled / cancelled visa shall be made.

A report on each cancelled / spoiled blank form of RoK visas shall be drawn up in compliance with Annex 16 to these Rules.
135. In case of mechanical damage of a visa, which has led to impossibility of its further use or its loss, a visa shall be recovered after verifying and confirming the grounds for its issuance.

Visas shall be recovered on application of a visa recipient or an inviting party.

Annex 6
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Number of Entries, Validity and Period of Stay

No.	Visa category	Visa recipients	Number of entries	Validity	Period of stay
I. Type of visa		NON-IMMIGRANT VISAS			
1.	A1	Diplomatic visa A1 visa is issued to: 1) Heads of foreign states, governments and their family members; 2) Members of parliaments, governments of foreign states and their family members– holders of diplomatic passports, as well as members of official foreign delegations and accompanying persons – holders of diplomatic passports.	single entry	90 days	up to 30 days
			multiple	up to 3 years	up to 90 days at each entry
2.	A2	Diplomatic visa A2 visa is issued to: 1) Holders of diplomatic passports travelling to the RoK on official business; 2) Passport holders of international organizations, who have the status equivalent to diplomatic agents; 3) Diplomatic couriers, who deliver diplomatic pouches –diplomatic passport holders upon availability of courier’s papers; 4) RoK honorary consuls and members of their families.	single entry	90 days	up to 30 days
			multiple	up to 3 years	up to 90 days at each entry
3	A3	Diplomatic visa A3 visa is issued to diplomatic agents of foreign diplomatic missions, consular officials of foreign consular offices, employees of international organizations or their representatives accredited in the RoK, who come to work in the RoK, honorary consuls of foreign states accredited in the RoK and their family members.	multiple	90 days within 180 days	up to 90 days with further accreditation in the RoK MFA After accreditation in the RoK MFA – up to 90 days required for exit

No.	Visa category	Visa recipients	Number of entries	Validity	Period of stay
					from the RoK
4	B1	Service visa B1 visa is issued to: 1) Members of official foreign delegations and accompanying persons; 2) Persons travelling to the RoK at the invitation of governmental bodies.	single entry	90 days	up to 30 days
			multiple	up to 3 years	up to 90 days at each entry
5	B2	Service visa B2 visa is issued to: 1) Passport holders of international organizations, who do not have the status equivalent to diplomatic agents, and holders of national passports working for international organizations; 2) Service passports holders travelling to the RoK on official business; 3) Diplomatic couriers, who deliver diplomatic pouches, if they do not have diplomatic passports, upon availability of courier's papers; 4) Military personnel of foreign states who travel to the RoK on official business; 5) Persons travelling to business trips to the RoK at the invitation of foreign diplomatic missions, consular agencies, international organizations and their missions accredited in the RoK; 6) Representatives of foreign media accredited in the RoK who travel to the RoK based on RoK MFA management instructions.	single entry	90 days	up to 30 days
			multiple	up to 3 years	up to 90 days at each entry
6	B3	Service visa B3 visa is issued to members of administrative, technical and service personnel of diplomatic missions, employees of international organizations or their representative offices, consular officials, service personnel of foreign states' consular offices accredited in the RoK, and their family members.	multiple	90 days within 180 days	up to 90 days with further accreditation in the RoK MFA After accreditation in the RoK MFA – up to 90 days required for exit from the RoK
7	C1	Investor visa C1 visa is issued to top managers and executives of foreign legal entities investing in the economy of the RoK, participants of the Regional Financial Centre of Almaty (hereinafter - the RFCA), and their spouses and minor	multiple	up to 3 years	for the whole period of visa validity

No.	Visa category	Visa recipients	Number of entries	Validity	Period of stay
		children.			
8	C2	Investor visa C2 visa is issued to top managers and executives of foreign legal entities investing in the economy of the RoK, members of the RFCA and their spouses and minor children.	single entry	90 days	up to 30 days
9.	D1	Business visa D1 visa is issued to persons travelling to the RoK for: 1) Participation in conferences, workshops, forums, exhibitions, concerts, cultural, scientific, sports and other activities; 2) Lecturing and holding classes in educational institutions.	single entry	90 days	up to 30 days
			double entry triple entry	90 days	not more than 30 days at each entry
10.	D2	Business visa D2 visa is issued to persons travelling to the RoK for: 1) Business trips; 2) Equipment installation, repair and maintenance; 3) Participation in programs of youth, student and school exchanges, except for learning in the RoK educational institutions.	multiple	1 year	not more than 60 days within 180 days
11.	D3	Business visa D3 visa is issued to persons travelling to the RoK for: 1) Accompanying humanitarian aid; 2) Negotiations, conclusion of contracts, advisory and auditing services.	multiple	up to 3 years	not more than 30 days at each entry, but not more than 60 days within 180 days
12	D4	Business visa. D4 visa is issued to persons performing international road transport.	single entry	90 days	not more than 30 days
			multiple	1 year	not more than 30 days at each entry
13	D5	Business visa D5 visa is issued to train crew members.	single entry	90 days	not more than 30 days
			multiple	1 year	not more than 30 days at each entry
14.	D6	Business visa D6 visa is issued to scheduled and charter flight crew members that do not have a corresponding certificate of the International Civil Aviation Organization	single entry	90 days	not more than 30 days
			multiple	1 year	not more than 30

No.	Visa category	Visa recipients	Number of entries	Validity	Period of stay
		(ICAO)			days at each entry
15.	D7	Business visa D7 visa is issued to members of sea and river craft crews.	single entry	90 days	not more than 30 days
			multiple	1 year	not more than 30 days at each entry
16.	D8	Business visa D8 visa is issued to persons on military service in the units located in the territory of the RoK.	multiple	1 year	during military service
17.	E1	Missionary visa E1 visa is issued to persons travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for religious activities.	single entry	90 days	not more than 30 days
			double entry triple entry	90 days	not more than 30 days at each entry
			multiple	180 days	not more than 30 days
18.	E2	Missionary visa E2 visa is issued to persons travelling to the Republic of Kazakhstan for missionary activities.	multiple	180 days	180 days
19.	E3	Missionary visa E3 visa is issued to family members, who are dependent on persons, who have been issued a E2 visa.	multiple	for a period of visa of the main family member, who has E2 visa	for a period of visa of the main family member, who has E2 visa
20.	F1	Tourist visa F1 visa is issued to persons travelling to the RoK as tourists.	single entry	90 days	not more than 30 days
			double entry triple entry	90 days	not more than 30 days at each entry
21.	G1	Private visa G1 visa is issued to persons travelling to the RoK on private affairs.	single entry double entry triple entry	90 days	90 days within 1 year
			multiple	1 year	for the entire period

No.	Visa category	Visa recipients	Number of entries	Validity	Period of stay
			(этническим казахам)		
22.	G2	Private visa G2 visa is issued to persons: 1) travelling to the RoK for treatment, medical examination or consultation; 2) staying in the RoK in case of need for their treatment in hospitals; 3) travelling to the RoK or staying in the RoK to care for close relatives, nationals of the RoK, or foreigners, permanently residing in the RoK and receiving medical treatment in hospitals; relation degree is determined in accordance with the RoK laws 4) accompanying persons referred to in sub-paragraphs 1) and 2) of this paragraph upon availability of documents evidencing the circumstances.	single entry double entry triple entry	180 days 180 days	не более 90 days не более 90 days при каждом заезде
23.	G3	Private visa G3 visa is issued to persons travelling to the RoK for adoption of the RoK nationals.	single entry double entry triple entry	180 days 180 days	not more than 120 days not more than 120 days at each entry
24.	G4	Private visa G4 visa is issued to persons under legal age, permanently residing in the RoK and intending to temporarily leave the country.	double entry	60 days	60 days
25.	H1	Transit visa H1 visa is issued for transit through the territory of the RoK to persons not entitled to a visa-free transit.	single entry double entry triple entry	90 days	within 5 days in one direction
II. Type of visa		IMMIGRANT VISAS			
26.	J1	Permanent residence visa J1 visa is issued to ethnic Kazakhs travelling to the RoK for permanent residence.	multiple	1 year	1 year
27.	J2	Permanent residence visa J2 visa is issued to persons travelling to the RoK for permanent residence.	single entry	90 days	90 days
28.	J3	Permanent residence visa J3 visa is issued to persons who has arrived in the RoK and applied for permanent residence in Kazakhstan.	single entry double entry triple entry	90 days	90 days

No.	Visa category	Visa recipients	Number of entries	Validity	Period of stay
29.	K1	Family reunification visa K1 visa is issued to family members of the RoK nationals residing in the RoK, who travel to the RoK for the purpose of family reunification.	multiple	1 year	1 year
30.	K2	Family reunification visa K2 visa is issued to family members of ethnic Kazakhs and former compatriots, who have received a temporary residence permit in the RoK (for a period not less than two years), travelling to the RoK for the purpose of family reunification.	multiple	1 year	1 year
31.	K3	Family reunification visa K3 visa is issued to family members of foreign nationals and stateless persons permanently residing in the RoK, as well as business immigrants, travelling to the RoK for the purpose of family reunification.	multiple	1 year	1 year
32.	L1	Student Visa L1 visa is issued to: 1) Persons travelling to the RoK for study, admission to educational organizations that implement education programs for secondary, technical and vocational, post secondary, higher and postgraduate education, including students' exchange programs, and training courses 2) Ethnic Kazakhs (based on documentary proof of their ethnic background) temporarily arrived in the RoK and admitted to Kazakhstan educational institutions.	single entry double entry triple entry	90 days	90 days
			multiple	up to 1 year	up to 1 year
33.	L2	Student visa L2 visa is issued to persons travelling to the RoK for practical training or internship.	single entry double entry triple entry	90 days	90 days
			multiple	до 1 года	for practical training or internship period
34.	M1	Work visa M1 visa is issued to: 1) Persons travelling to the RoK to work on the basis of permits issued to foreign workers for employment or to employers to engage foreign labour; 2) Persons travelling to the RoK to work, who are not required to obtain a permit to work or engage foreign labour in accordance with the RoK laws and	multiple	up to 1 year or a permit duration	up to 1 year or a permit duration

No.	Visa category	Visa recipients	Number of entries	Validity	Period of stay
		international treaties, to which the Republic of Kazakhstan is a party.			
35.	M2	Work visa M2 visa is issued to family members, dependent on persons referred to in subparagraphs 1) and 2) of paragraph 34.	multiple	For a period of the work permit of the main family member, who has a M1 visa.	For a period of the work permit of the main family member, who has a M1 visa.
36.	M3	Work visa M3 visa is issued to persons travelling to the RoK for submission of documents to the local executive bodies in order to obtain a work permit in the RoK.	single entry	90 days	not more than 30 days
37.	M4	Work visa M4 visa is issued to business immigrants.	multiple	до 1 yeara	до 1 yeara
38.	M5	Work visa M5 visa is issued to seasonal foreign workers.	single entry double entry triple entry	up to 1 year, but not exceeding the period of the employer's permit to engage foreign labour.	up to 1 year, but not exceeding the period of the employer's permit to engage foreign labour.
39.	N1	Humanitarian visa N1 visa is issued to volunteers arriving in the RoK to provide services in education, health care and social assistance on a grant basis.	single entry double entry triple entry	90 days	90 days
			multiple	1 year	1 year
40.	N2	Humanitarian visa N2 visa is issued to persons arriving in the RoK in the framework of international treaties ratified by the RoK to provide charity and humanitarian aid and grants.	single entry double entry triple entry	90 days	90 days
			multiple	1 year	1 year
III. Type of Visa		EXIT VISAS			
41.	P1	Exit visa P1 visa is issued to persons permanently residing in the RoK for their exit from	single entry	up to 90 days	up to 90 days

No.	Visa category	Visa recipients	Number of entries	Validity	Period of stay
		the RoK for permanent residence.			
42.	P2	Exit visa P2 visa is issued to persons who have lost travel documents in the territory of the RoK.	single entry	up to 30 days, but not exceeding the validity period of a laissez-passer	up to 30 days, but not exceeding the validity period of a laissez-passer
43.	P3	Exit visa P3 visa is issued to persons, in respect of whom the decisions have been made to reduce the length of stay in the RoK.	single entry	up to 30 days or at term specified in the court order on deportation of a foreign national or a stateless person from Kazakhstan	up to 30 days or at term specified in the court order on deportation of a foreign national or a stateless person from Kazakhstan
44.	P4	Exit visa P4 visa is issued to persons, in respect of whom a decisions has been taken on administrative liability not associated with deportation, unless there are grounds for their further stay in the RoK.	single entry	up to 15 days	up to 15 days
45.	P5	Exit visa P5 visa is issued to persons who have arrived in the RoK based on agreements on visa-free entry and stay in the RoK, unless there are grounds for their further stay in the RoK.	single entry	up to 30 days	up to 30 days
46.	P6	Exit visa P6 visa is issued to persons released from Kazakhstan correctional institutions.	single entry	up to 15 days	up to 15 days
47.	P7	Exit visa P7 visa is issued to persons, who have provided a proof of force major circumstances, delay or cancellation of flight, train or other vehicle that prevented them from leaving the RoK before expiration of a visa or visa-free period of stay.	single entry	up to 15 days	up to 15 days

No.	Visa category	Visa recipients	Number of entries	Validity	Period of stay
48.	P8	Exit visa P8 visa is issued to persons, who have reported committing of crime against them, which is defined in the RoK Criminal Code as grave or extremely grievous offence.	single entry	up to 30 days	up to 30 days

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The List of states, whose nationals are exempt from provision of visa support or invitation letters for processing A1, A2, B1, B2, D1 and G1 single entry visas, and F1 single and double-entry visas.

1. Australia
2. The Republic of Austria
3. The USA
4. The Kingdom of Belgium
5. The United Arab Emirates
6. The Republic of Bulgaria
7. The Federative Republic of Brazil
8. The Federal Republic of Germany
9. The Hellenic Republic
10. The Kingdom of Denmark
11. New Zealand
12. Japan
13. The State of Israel
14. The Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan
15. The Republic of Ireland
16. The Republic of Iceland
17. The Kingdom of Spain
18. The Italian Republic
19. Canada
20. The State of Qatar
21. The Republic of Cyprus
22. The Republic of Korea
23. The Republic of Latvia
24. The Republic of Lithuania
25. The Principality of Liechtenstein
26. The Grand Duchy of Luxembourg
27. The Republic of Hungary
28. The Federation of Malaysia
29. The Republic of Malta
30. The Principality of Monaco
31. The Kingdom of the Netherlands
32. The Kingdom of Norway
33. The Sultanate of Oman
34. The Republic of Poland
35. The Portuguese Republic
36. Romania
37. The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
38. The Republic of Singapore
39. The Slovak Republic
40. The Republic of Slovenia
41. The United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland
42. The Republic of Finland
43. The French Republic
44. The Republic of Croatia
45. The Czech Republic
46. The Swiss Confederation
47. The Kingdom of Sweden
48. The Republic of Estonia

List of documents required for issuance of the Republic of Kazakhstan visas.

1. Visa support/application/resolution of internal affairs agencies for foreigners entering the Republic of Kazakhstan for private affairs and permanent residence, as well as for foreigners and stateless persons permanently residing in the Republic of Kazakhstan.
2. Travel document entitling to cross the State Border of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
3. Visa application form in accordance with Annex 15 to these Rules (1 copy).
4. One black-and-white or colour photo of 3.5x4.5 cm with a clear image of full face without glasses with tinted lens and without headdress, except for persons, for whom constant wearing of headdress is a mandatory attribute of their ethnic or religious affiliation, provided that such persons have a headdress on a travel document photos. A photo should match the age of a national at the time of the document execution.
5. Consular fee payment receipt.
6. For D1, D2 and D3 visas, additional visa application form a sending/releasing organization.
7. For **J1** visa, the following documents shall be submitted additionally:
 - 1) Application form prepared in optional form for inclusion of repatriates in the immigration quota, indicating information as provided for in paragraph clause 3 of Article 18 of the Law;
 - 2) Documents confirming the applicant's ethnic nationality - in absence of a record of ethnic nationality in identity documents;
 - 3) Documents confirming a family structure of the applicant for inclusion of repatriates in the immigration quota;
 - 4) Documents confirming the entitlement for inclusion in the immigration quota for repatriates in the priority order (if any);
 - 5) Statement of good health of the applicant and his/her family members in respect of diseases set out in the list of diseases, which incidence prohibits foreigners' and stateless persons' entry in the Republic of Kazakhstan, approved by Order No. 664 of the RoK Minister of Health dated September 30, 2011 (entered in the State Register of legal acts under No. 7274);
 - 6) Statement of convictions (or clean criminal record) for adult members of the applicant's family.
8. For **J2** visa the following documents shall be submitted additionally:
 - 1) Application form, blank form to be provided by officers of the immigration police divisions;
 - 2) Consent of the national of the Republic of Kazakhstan, foreign national and stateless person permanently residing in the Republic of Kazakhstan (hereinafter - the inviting party) for permanent registration of the applicant in residential properties owned by the inviting party;
 - 3) Copies of documents confirming permanent residence of the inviting party in the Republic of Kazakhstan, as well as the ownership title to the residential properties referred to in subparagraph 2) hereof;
 - 4) Document confirming permission for exit for permanent residence abroad issued by the competent authority of the applicant's state of nationality or permanent residence;

- 5) Document confirming financial solvency during the period of stay in the Republic of Kazakhstan (not required for individuals born in the RoK or who had citizenship of the RoK or the Kazakh Soviet Socialist Republic, and members of their families);
- 6) Statement of good health of the applicant and his/her family members in respect of diseases set out in the list of diseases, which incidence prohibits foreigners' and stateless persons' entry in the Republic of Kazakhstan, approved by Order No. 664 of the RoK Minister of Health dated September 30, 2011 (entered in the State Register of legal acts under No. 7274);
- 7) Statement of convictions (or clean criminal record).

Note: applications on behalf of minor children shall be submitted by their legal representatives.

Copies of the above listed documents, as well as a conclusion of the authorized officer of the MFA foreign establishment, who conducted an interview with the applicant, shall be sent within 30 calendar days from the date of the documents receipt through the RoK MFA to the RoK MIA and the RoK NSC for examination and issuance of a permit. Permits of the RoK MIA and the RoK NSC shall be provided within the period not exceeding three (3) months from the date the documents have been received from the RoK MFA.

Annex 10
to the Rules for Issuance,
Extension and Reduction
in Validity of Visas
in the Republic of Kazakhstan

List of documents required for visa support processing

1. Confirmation letter.
2. Consular fee payment order or receipt.
3. Copy of the Articles of Association notarized in the current year, Certificate of state registration (re-registration) of the legal entity, original tax clearance certificate (*for legal entities applying to the RoK MFA for the first time in the current year*).
4. Power of Attorney issued by the legal entity.
5. Application of the RoK authorized investments agency (for C1 visa).
6. Notarized copies of documents confirming the necessity for multiple or continuous stay of a visa recipient in the territory of the RoK for more than 30 days during the year (for D2 and D3 visas).
7. Notarized copy of a Tourism Operator license (for F1 visa).
8. Notarized copy of the permit issued to a foreign worker for employment or an employer to engage foreign labour, or documents, according to which such permits are not required.

**Filling out
of a visa sticker of the Republic of Kazakhstan**

Visa sticker shall be filled out in electronic form or by hand (if filled out by hand, a counterfoil of the visa sticker after filling out to be affixed on the reverse side of the visa application form):

- 1) In the box *берілген жері / place of issue*, a code of institution that issued a visa shall be indicated;
- 2) In the box *мәртесі / entries* a number of entries granted by the visa shall be indicated (for example: single entry – **1**, double entry – **2**, triple entry – **3**, multiple - **multiple**);
- 3) In the box *түрі-категориясы / category*, visa category code and duration of stay for this visa category shall be indicated in brackets (for example: D1 (30));
- 4) In the box *берілген күні / date of issue* visa issue date shall be indicated;
Visa issue date and validity shall be indicated in figures (e.g.: 06.10.2012);
- 5) In the box *тегі-аты / name-given name* surname, first name and middle name of the visa holder as written in the passport shall be indicated (for example: Peter John);
- 6) In the box *паспорттың No./passport No.* a number of the travel document of a foreign national receiving the RoK visa shall be indicated;
- 7) In the box *басталу мерзімі/valid from* visa validity start date shall be indicated;
- 8) In the box *аяқталу мерзімі/valid until* visa expiry date shall be indicated;
- 9) In the box *шақырған мекеме/inviting organization* name of the inviting party shall be indicated (for example, *АҚШ ҚР-дағы Елшілігі, ҚР Қаржы министрлігі, Ақбота ЖШС/the US Embassy in the RoK, Ministry of Finance, Akbota LLP*, etc.).
Name of the body, which processed the invitation letter, shall be indicated in visas of G1, J1 and J2 categories (for example, *Астана қаласының ІІД*).
If visa is issued on the basis of written applications to the RoK foreign establishments, respective paragraph and sub-paragraph of these Rules, which served as a basis for issuing a visa, shall be indicated (for example: *Қағиданың 39 т. 7 тш.*).
- 10) In the box *қосымша мәліметтер/additional information* the following required information shall be indicated:
 - a) Number of the extended, transferred or corrected visa and the record *визаны ұзарту/visa extension* (for example, *No. 1140610729 визаны ұзарту, No. 1140610729 визаны түзету/көшіру/visa correction/transfer*);
 - b) International telegram number and mailing date, if the visa has been issued on the basis of a telegram confirming the fact of death or condition of a severely ill relative;
 - c) Name of a settlement prohibited for foreign nationals, number and date of the RoK MFA confirmation, if this category of individuals has been permitted to visit it (for example, *Курчатов қ., No. 01-027/3 11.01.2013 ж.*);
 - d) Make, model (type) and number of a vehicle, on which its holder is travelling (for example, *Toyota автомобилі, No. AF-723 R*);
 - e) An entry *жұмыс жасауға құқығы жоқ - work is not permitted*;

- f) Points of entry into the Republic of Kazakhstan and exit from the Republic of Kazakhstan, where necessary;
- g) Country of destination for a transit visa (if necessary, and if no other details are available);
- h) Number of a child's travel document in the accompanying person's visa sticker, if the child is not entered in the visa holder's passport and has its own travel document;
- i) Number of the accompanying person's travel document in children's visa stickers, if more than three children with their own travel documents travel together with the passport holder;
- j) Other additional information;

If additional information is not available, this box shall be left blank.

- 11) In the box *төлем ақы/fee* consular fee or state tax amount shall be indicated (for example, **30 USD** or **30 EUR**).
- 12) The box *өзімен бірге/accompanied by* in a visa sticker issued for one person shall be left blank.
If visa holder's family members are entered in his/her travel document, and they legitimately follow him/her, + and their number (for example, +3) shall be indicated in this box.
If more than three children, with their own travel documents, travel with the passport holder, they shall be issued individual visas.
- 13) The box *қолы және тегі/signature and surname* shall contain a signature and surname of the authorized officer of the RoK MFA and the RoK foreign establishments (an authorized officer of the RoK MIA), which issued a visa
- 14) In the boxes *азаматтығы/nationality* and *түбіртек No./receipt No.* of a counterfoil, nationality and consular fee payment receipt number shall be indicated respectively; in the box *ескертпе/remarks* remarks shall be indicate.

If during the visa recipient's of stay in the RoK his/her travel document becomes unfit for further use and its holder provided a new travel document, a new visa shall be affixed in it indicating details of the previous visa, except for details indicated in the following boxes of the visa sticker: *берілген жері/place of issue*, *берілген күні/date of issue*, *қолы және тегі/signature and surname* and *қосымша мәліметтер/additional information*.

The box *қосымша мәліметтер/additional information* of the visa sticker shall contain the number of the visa to be transferred and its cancellation shall be processed simultaneously.