

## **On physical culture and sports**

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This Law shall regulate social relations in the field of physical culture and sports, determine the legal, organizational, economic and social bases for ensuring the activities and development of mass physical culture, amateur and professional sports in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

## **Chapter 1. GENERAL PROVISIONS**

### **Article 1. Basic concepts used in this Law**

The following basic concepts shall be used in this Law:

1) a veteran athlete - a high-class athlete who has completed a sports career;

1-1) special sports equipment - sports equipment, which is a necessary component of training and competitive activities, compensating for impaired or lost body functions of an athlete with a disability;

2) amateur sports - a mass sports movement that gives individuals the opportunity to improve sports skills and achieve the highest results in various sports;

2-1) sports section for children and youth - an activity to improve health and develop sports abilities of children and youth, conducted by a coach, trainer-teacher or instructor in physical culture and sports, organized on a regular basis;

3) adaptive physical culture and sports - a set of sports and recreational measures aimed at rehabilitation and adaptation to a normal social environment of persons with disabilities, overcoming psychological barriers that prevent them from feeling a full life, as well as awareness of the need for their personal contribution to the social development of society;

4) grassroots sports - a sports movement that promotes development of physical culture among the population;

5) unified sports classification - a system of sports titles, classes of athletes, sports title of a coach, qualification categories of coaches, coaches-instructors, referees, instructors-athletes, physical culture and sports methodologists, which defines the level of skill of athletes, coaches or qualification of coaches, coaches-instructors, referees, instructors-athletes, physical culture and sports methodologists;

5-1) the first coach - a coach who trains (for at least three years) an athlete in the initial (early) stages of training high-class athletes;

5-2) accompanying an athlete with a disability of the first group is an individual who, under a contract, provides support and assistance services to athletes with disabilities of the first group who have damage to the musculoskeletal system, visual impairment, intellectual disability, and need outside care and assistance due to partial or complete loss of the ability to independently satisfy their basic life needs, the ability to self-serve and (or) move when traveling to sports events (district, regional, national and international ones);

6) physical education - a pedagogical process aimed at formation of a healthy, physically and spiritually perfect younger generation;

7) physical culture - an integral part of culture, a field of social activity, which is a set of spiritual and material values created and used by society in order to develop a person's physical and intellectual abilities, improve their physical activity and form a healthy lifestyle, social adaptation through physical education and development;

8) physical training - a pedagogical process aimed at development of physical qualities and functional capabilities of a person;

9) methodologist in physical culture and sports (hereinafter - methodologist) - an individual with vocational education, carrying out methodological support and management of the training process, conducting fitness and recreation and sports activities;

9-1) instructor in physical culture and sports - an individual with a professional education, carrying out practical support for the educational and training process, conducting sports and recreational activities, including adaptive physical culture and sports;

10) a system of physical culture and sports - a set of individuals and legal entities engaged in activities for the physical education of the population and development of physical culture and sports;

11) a specialist in the field of physical culture and sports - an individual engaged in activities in the field of physical culture and sports;

12) an authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports - a central executive body that provides management and inter-sectoral coordination in the field of physical culture and sports;

13) sports and recreational and sports facilities - specially equipped (including with sports equipment) facilities (sites, buildings, structures), designed for individuals to exercise, do sport and conduct sports activities;

14) physical culture and sports organization - a legal entity carrying out activities in the field of physical culture and sports as the main activity;

15) World University Games - comprehensive international winter and summer competitions held among students in various sports;

16) coach, coach-instructor - an individual who instructs and trains an athlete and manages his/her competitive activity in order to achieve sports results;

17) disqualification of a coach, a teaching coach, a sports medicine specialist, another specialist in the field of physical culture and sports, a sports judge means suspension of a

coach, a teaching coach, a sports medicine specialist, another specialist in the field of physical culture and sports, a sports judge from participating in sports competitions and (or) training camps, and (or) labor (professional) activity in the field of physical culture and sports, which is implemented by an accredited sports federation for violating the rules of sports and (or) for violating the regulations (regulations) of sports competitions, and (or) for violating anti-doping rules, and (or) for infringement of sports ethics, and (or) for breach of the norms approved by international sports organisations and (or) national accredited sports federations;

17-1) personal trainer is a trainer offering training of (at least three years) an athlete, aimed at fulfilling his/her individual training plan during his/her stay outside the national team of the Republic of Kazakhstan by sport;

18) a high-class athlete is an athlete who is a member of the national team of the Republic of Kazakhstan in a sport;

19) top-level sports are national sports and sports included in the Olympic, Paralympic, Deaflympic, Asian, and Para-Asian Games programmes;

20) professional sports - an integral part of sports, aimed at organizing and conducting sports and entertainment events (competitions), for preparation and participation in which the athletes who have chosen sports as their professional activities receive remuneration in accordance with the civil legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

21) complex scientific group - a group of qualified specialists created for scientific, methodological, medical, biological and psychological research aimed at assessing the functional state, reserve capabilities, psychological and technical level of an athlete's preparation;

22) presidential physical fitness tests of the population of the Republic of Kazakhstan are a set of regulatory requirements for the physical fitness of children, youth and adults;

23) school sports - a part of physical culture and sports aimed at the physical education of students in educational institutions of primary, basic secondary and general secondary education, their preparation for participation in sports events;

24) school sports league - a sports movement among schoolchildren, aimed at support in popularizing school sports and development of one or several sports, organizing and conducting sports events with schoolchildren;

24-1) rotation of the first heads of state physical culture and sports organisations is an official transfer between the first heads of republican state physical culture and sports organisations and state physical culture and sports organisations under the jurisdiction of local executive bodies of regions, cities of national importance and the capital;

25) a state coach is a coach who performs functions and measures to implement the state policy for the development of a priority sport(s) in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan ;

25-1) state sports order - a state-funded volume of services in the field of physical culture and sports for children and youth, determined according to the methodology of per capita

regulatory financing of the state sports order and placed with suppliers, regardless of their form of ownership, departmental subordination, types and kinds;

25-2) per capita standard for financing of the state sports order - the standard for financial support of the guaranteed state cost of services in the field of physical culture and sports for sports sections for children and youth;

26) an athlete with a disability - an individual who has a health disorder with a persistent disorder of body functions due to diseases, injuries, their consequences, disorders, which leads to a limitation of vital activity, and is engaged in an available type (s) of sports;

27) classification of athletes with disabilities – a process of determining a class (classification category) of athletes with disabilities by a classifier or a group of classifiers in order to create an opportunity for them to compete with other athletes with disabilities who have a similar level of functional abilities;

28) an instructor-athlete - an athlete who performs sports activities on wage conditions in accordance with the labor legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

29) a training camp - a centralized event, organized in order to improve sportsmanship and the quality of the training process of athletes;

29-1) non-Olympic sport - a sport not included in the program of the Olympic Games, widely spread in the world sports community and led by international sports federations;

29-2) olympic sports are sports included in the Olympic Games programme;

29-3) non-paralympic sports are sports that are not included in the program of the Paralympic Games, which are developed by the International Paralympic Committee or international sports federations;

30) the Paralympic Games are international winter and summer competitions organized by the International Paralympic Committee, held among athletes with disabilities, with damage to the musculoskeletal system, visual impairment, as well as among athletes with intellectual disabilities;

30-1) paralympic sports are sports included in the program of the Paralympic Games;

31) sport - a sphere of social and cultural activities as a set of sports in the form of sports competitions and special preparation of a person for them;

32) sporting discipline - a part of a sport that has distinctive features and includes one or several types (programs) of sports competitions;

33) sports reserve are athletes of youth, junior and adolescence ages who have the potential to achieve high results in high-performance sports;

33-1) prohibited substances and (or) methods in sports (hereinafter referred to as doping) are chemical compounds (substances, drugs) and methods included in the prohibited list of the World Anti-Doping Organization and the International Standard of the World Anti-Doping Organization, including the use or attempt to use a substance and (or) method included in the lists of substances and (or) methods prohibited for use in sports;

34) sports judge - an individual who has undergone special training and has received the appropriate qualification category, authorized by the organizer of a sporting event to provide refereeing in accordance with the rules of the type of sport and the provisions (regulations) of the sporting event;

34-1) sports teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan are teams of athletes, coaches, domestic and foreign specialists in sports not related to high-performance sports participating in international sports competitions;

35) The national sports teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan are teams of athletes, coaches, domestic and foreign specialists who train and take part in international sports competitions under the National Flag of the Republic of Kazakhstan in high-performance sports;

35-1) the full-time national sports teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan are teams of athletes, coaches, domestic and foreign specialists engaged in sports activities on financial terms envisaged by the budget legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and participate in international sports competitions under the National Flag of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

35-2) sports teams of regions, cities of national importance and the capital are teams of athletes, coaches, and specialists who train and participate in national and international high-performance sports competitions;

36) sports register is a register containing information on paper and electronic media concerning sports and sports disciplines that have developed in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

37) a sport is an integral part of sport, the distinguishing features thereof are the environment of activities, a set of physical exercises or intellectual abilities in competitive activities, and the rules of competition, combined according to the similarity of the rules of sports of one sports federation;

38) a head coach of the national sports team of the Republic of Kazakhstan is the coach in charge of the leadership, preparation, formation and performance of the national sports team of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the World Championships, Olympic, Paralympic, Deaflympic Games and other international competitions;

39) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into force upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);

40) sports ethics are rules of conduct established for athletes, coaches, trainers, teachers, and sports referees;

40-1) sports events - events aimed at the development of physical and intellectual abilities of a person, promoting healthy lifestyles, held in sports facilities and facilities, as well as in open areas, intended for sports events, providing the simultaneous presence of two hundred and more spectators at these events;

41) a single calendar of sports events - a list of annual competitions of international, republican and local levels, as well as events for preparation for the competitions;

41-1) venues for sports events - objects and facilities designed for sports events, as well as other places not intended specifically for these purposes (recreation areas, hippodromes, circuses, parks, squares, streets);

41-2) time of sports events - the time from the moment the first spectator enters (arrives) at the places where mass sports events are held until the end of the events and the last spectator leaves (goes out of) these places;

41-3) organizer of a sporting event - an individual or a legal entity, initiating the conduct of a sporting event;

41-4) national standards for sports training mean a set of minimum requirements for sports training in a particular sport or sports, developed and approved by the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sports for physical culture and sports organisations;

42) sports competition - a competition among athletes or teams by type (types) of sport in order to identify the best competitor, which is held in accordance with approved rules (regulations);

42-1) disqualification of animals participating in a sports competition - suspension of animals from participating in sports competitions, instructional training sessions because they were doped.

43) agreement on sports activities - a civil contract concluded between an athlete, a coach or other specialist in the field of physical culture and sports and a physical education and sports organization;

43-1) sports medicine – a field of medicine responsible for the medical and biological support of athletes' training, including medical and functional monitoring in sport, including the admission of athletes to high-performance sport, functional and medical rehabilitation of athletes, and early detection of health abnormalities, improving athletic performance, treatment and prevention of somatic diseases and injuries in athletes, psychological training, emergency medical care in sports, and sports hygiene;

43-2) sports medicine and rehabilitation organisation is an organisation in charge of rendering medical and biological support for the training of athletes, including medical and functional monitoring in sport, including the admission of athletes to high-performance sport, functional and medical rehabilitation of athletes, early detection of health problems, improvement of athletic performance, treatment and prevention of somatic diseases and injuries in athletes, psychological training, emergency medical care in sports, and sports hygiene;

44) sports event - a sports competition, a training camp with the participation of athletes, coaches and specialists in the field of physical culture and sports;

44-1) priority sports are the sports included in the programmes and achieving high results at the Olympic, Paralympic, Deaflympic, Asian and Para-Asian Games, as well as national sports;

45) sports federation - a non-profit organization created in the form of a public association or association of legal entities in the form of an association (union) in order to develop one or more sports;

46) accreditation of sports federations - a procedure for recognizing the powers of sports federations for development of the type (s) of sports in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

47) an athlete is a natural person who practises a chosen sport or sports and competes in sporting events;

48) disqualification of an athlete is suspension of an athlete from participation in sports competitions and/or training camps, and/or labour (professional) activities in the field of physical culture and sports, which is implemented by an accredited sports federation for infringement of the rules of sports and/or for violating the rules (regulations) of sporting competitions, and/or for violating anti-doping rules, and/or for violating sporting ethics, and/or for violating the standards approved by international sporting organisations and/or national accredited sporting federations;

49) registration of an athlete - a procedure for recognizing by a sports federation by sport of an athlete's belonging to this type of sport with the purpose of granting him the right to take part in sports competitions and other events held by the federation or with its participation, with the issuance of an athlete's registration certificate;

50) student sports - a part of physical culture and sports aimed at the physical education of students in organizations of technical and vocational, post-secondary and higher education, their preparation for participation in sports events;

51) student sports league - a sports movement among students, aimed to assist in popularizing student sports and developing the type (s) of sports, organizing and conducting sports events with students;

52) Deaflympics - international winter and summer competitions held among athletes with disabilities who have hearing loss;

52-1) Deaflympic sport - a sport included in the program of the Deaflympic Games and approved by the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf;

53) classifier - an individual who carries out the classification of athletes with disabilities according to the level of their functional capabilities, authorized for this by the organizers of the competition and who has undergone special training, confirmed by the relevant document;

54) technical and applied sports - part of sports requiring special preparation of an athlete for competitions using technical means;

55) national types of sports - sports that have been historically established in the form of competitive activities and being a kind of physical exercise and folk games with original rules and methods of organizing physical activity;

56) International Special Olympic Games - international winter and summer competitions held among athletes with disabilities with limited intellectual abilities;

57) international sports competitions - competitions by sport among athletes (teams), involving foreign athletes (teams).

**Footnote. Article 1 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 01.22.2016 № 446-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 11.05.2017 № 65-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 11.07.2017 № 91-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 280-VI as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (see Article 2 for the entry into force); dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

## **Article 2. The principal goals, objectives and principles of this Law**

1. The main objectives of this Law are the development of physical culture and sports, the formation of a healthy and competitive sports nation.

2. The principal objectives of this Law shall include:

1) ensuring the safety of life and health of persons engaged in physical culture and sports, as well as participants and spectators of physical culture, recreation and sports events, and maintaining public order in places where mass sports events are held;

2) development of physical culture and mass sports;

3) development of national, Olympic, Non-Olympic, Paralympic, Non-Paralympic and Deaflympic sports;

4) supporting and promoting physical culture and sport, adaptive physical culture and sport, and sports medicine;

5) ensuring cooperation with natural persons and legal entities in the field of physical culture and sport;

6) creating organisational and legal conditions for the development of physical culture and sport;

7) developing a scientific basis for research in the field of physical culture, sport and sports medicine;

8) developing school and student sports and physical culture in labour collectives.

3. The main principles of this Law shall be:

1) equality and accessibility of physical education and sports activities for all natural persons;



- 2) continuity and succession of physical education for different age groups of the population;
- 3) voluntary participation in physical education and sports activities;
- 4) health-oriented physical education and sports activities;
- 5) equal respect for physical education and sports;
- 6) prohibition of discrimination and prevention of propaganda promoting cruelty, violence and humiliation of human dignity;
- 7) priority for high-performance sport, defending the honour of the Republic of Kazakhstan at international sporting competitions;
- 8) promoting the development of adaptive physical education and sport.

**Footnote. Article 2 as reworded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall enter into force upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

### **Article 3. Legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of physical culture and sports**

1. The legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of physical culture and sports shall be based on the Constitution of the Republic of Kazakhstan, consist of this Law and other regulatory legal acts of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. If an international treaty ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan establishes other rules than those provided for by this Law, the rules of the international treaty shall apply.

3. The legal relations regulated by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of physical culture and sports are not subject to the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on public procurement in terms of the purchase of state sports order services.

**Footnote. Article 3 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (shall be enforced from 01.05.2021).**

### **Article 4. State support for development of physical culture and sports**

1. State support in the field of physical culture and sports shall be carried out through:

1) regulating public relations in the field of physical culture and sport by forming state policy, creating its system, as well as providing the relevant regulatory, legal, financial, material and technical, personnel, scientific and methodological, medical, and information support;

2) the support of development of external relations of physical culture and sports organizations, their integration into international sports organizations that contribute to the development of the physical culture and sports movement in the Republic of Kazakhstan;

3) creation of a favorable investment climate for domestic and foreign investors who invest in the design, construction and operation of sports facilities in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

4) provision of availability of state-owned sports facilities.

2. Provision of availability of state-owned sports facilities shall be the minimum social standard in accordance with the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On minimum social standards and their guarantees".

Footnote. Article 4 in the wording of the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 19.05.2015 № 315-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 ( shall be enacted upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication ).

## **Article 5. Rights and obligations of individuals in the field of physical culture and sports**

1. Individuals shall have the right:

- 1) to engage in physical culture and sports;
- 2) to join public associations of physical culture and health and sports orientation;
- 3) to participate in sporting and sports events;
- 4) to use public and private sports facilities and services;
- 5) when carrying out sporting and sports events, to use various symbols and other means of public expression of individual opinion, not prohibited by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 6) to submit documents for the conferment of sports titles and qualification categories to the authorized body for physical culture and sports;
- 7) to submit documents for the conferment of sports classes and qualification categories to local executive bodies.

2. Individuals shall be obliged:

- 1) to observe public order in the places of sporting and sports events;
- 2) to prevent actions that provoke a violation of public order, not to take illegal actions that create a danger to others in the places of sporting and sports events.

3. Individuals shall be prohibited:

- 1) to bring alcoholic products, products in metal and glass containers, pyrotechnic products and other items to the venues of sports and mass events, the use of which may pose a threat to the life and health of people or cause material damage to individuals and legal entities;
- 2) to throw away any items that pose a threat to the life and health of people, on the stands , football fields, hockey and other sports grounds during sporting and sports events;
- 3) to voluntarily go beyond fences and cordons, turnstiles during sporting and sports events;
- 4) to use posters, emblems, banners and other visual objects, aimed at inciting social, racial, national, religious, class and tribal strife, and infringing upon the rights of individuals during sporting and sports events.

Footnote. Article 5 in the wording of the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 22.01.2016 № 446-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official

publication); as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication).

## **Chapter 2. STATE REGULATION IN THE FIELD OF PHYSICAL CULTURE AND SPORT**

### **Article 6. Competence of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan in physical culture and sports**

The Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall develop the main directions of the state policy in physical culture and sports and organize their implementation.

**Footnote. Article 6 - as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 19.04.2023 № 223-VII (shall be enforced ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).**

### **Article 7. Competence of an authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports**

An authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports shall:

1) perform strategic, regulatory and implementation functions within its competence;

1-1) formulate and implement state policy in the field of physical culture and sport under the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan based on and in compliance with the main directions of the state's domestic and foreign policy established by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and the main directions of the state's socio-economic policy, its defence capability, security, and public order developed by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

1-2) approve the regulations for the payment of cash incentives to champions and prize-winners of international sports competitions, coaches and members of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports, and their return;

1-3) approve the rules for the payment of lifelong monthly material support to athletes and coaches and establish their amounts;

1-4) approve the rules for determining a single operator for the distribution of extrabudgetary funds allocated for the development of physical culture and sport;

1-5) approve the amounts of monetary incentives for champions and prize-winners of international sports competitions, coaches and members of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports;

2) provide, within its competence, management and inter-sectoral coordination in the field of physical culture and sports;

3) develop and approve the forms, intended for collecting administrative data in the field of physical culture and sports, in coordination with the authorized body in the field of state statistics;

**4) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall take effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);**

5) develop and approve the sectoral incentive system;

5-1) organise and implement the preparation and participation of members of national and regular national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports in international sporting competitions;

6) develop and approve rules for the training, retraining and professional development of specialists in the field of physical culture and sport;

7) organise national and international sporting events in conjunction with nationally accredited sports federations and local executive bodies;

8) organise and implement the preparation and participation of members of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in international sports competitions;

9) organize and coordinate research in the field of physical culture and sports, introduction of their results in the practice of physical culture and sports in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

10) develop and approve the anti-doping rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

11) oversee the conduct of anti-doping activities in sports;

12) confer sports titles to athletes and coaches, deprive athletes and coaches of sports titles such as: “Merited Master of Sport of the Republic of Kazakhstan”, “International Master of Sport of the Republic of Kazakhstan”, “Master of Sport of the Republic of Kazakhstan”, “Merited Coach of the Republic of Kazakhstan”;

13) confer qualification categories, deprive of qualification categories such as: top-level qualification coach of the top category, top-level qualification coach-instructor of the top category, mid-level qualification coach of the top category, mid-level qualification coach-instructor of the top category, top-level qualification methodologist of the top category, mid-level qualification methodologist of the top category, top-level qualification instructor-athlete of the top category, national referee of the top category, national referee;

14) accredit national sports federations;

15) develops and approves rules for conducting presidential physical fitness tests for the population of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

16) in coordination with the central authorized budget planning body, develop and approve the standards for support of athletes, coaches and specialists in the field of physical culture and sports, military personnel and law enforcement officers during the preparation and participation in sports events held in the Republic of Kazakhstan and abroad;

17) approve the method of standards of nutrition and pharmacological support for athletes, including military personnel of all categories and law enforcement and special state bodies, during the training process and sports events;

18) Excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 19.04.2023 № 223-VII (shall be enforced ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication);

18-1) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be put into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);

18-2) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be put into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);

19) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be put into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);

20) approve the safety rules for physical culture and sports;

21) approve the rules and requirements for the assignment of sports titles, categories and qualification categories;

22) approves comprehensive target programmes for sports and individual training plans for athletes of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports;

23) approve the rules for the certification of coaches, coach-instructors and sports referees based on proposals from nationally accredited sports federations as per the professional standards developed and approved by the competent authority;

24) approve programs for types of sports for physical culture and sports organizations, which train the sports reserve and high-class athletes;

25) develop and approve the rules for the conferment and deprivation of sports titles, classes and qualification categories, giving badges, as well as their description;

26) approve the list of types of competitions, training camps and determine their classification;

27) approve the rules for holding sporting events;

28) approve the rules for transition of an athlete from one physical culture and sports organization to another physical culture and sports organization;

29) develop and approve the rules for accreditation of sports federations;

30) annually approve the composition of national and regular national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan by sport, as proposed by accredited national sports federations;

31) approve the rules for forming the composition of national and regular national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan, teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan and teams of regions, cities of national importance and the capital by sport;

32) approve the age of athletes by sport for enrolment in physical education and sports organisations that provide training and coaching for the preparation of sports reserves and high-class athletes, as well as the minimum age for participation in sports competitions by sport, in agreement with the competent authority in the field of health care;

33) appoint and dismiss head coaches of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports and state coaches in various sports upon the recommendation of accredited national sports federations;

34) in consultation with the authorised health authority, develop and approve the rules for compensation payments to members of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan for

sports by type of sport when they suffer sports injuries and disabilities at international sports competitions;

35) provide compensation payments to members of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports when they suffer sports injuries and disabilities at international sports competitions;

36) provide insurance during preparation and participation of members of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan by sports (national teams by sports) in international sports competitions;

37) approve the rules for the recognition of the types of sports, sporting disciplines and formation of the register of types of sports;

38) approve the rules for formation of a single calendar of sports events;

39) approve a unified republican calendar of mass sporting events based on proposals from nationally accredited sports federations and ensures its implementation;

40) develop and approve standard staffs for organizations that carry out such activities as instruction and training, training of young athletes and high-class athletes, anti-doping activities, scientific and methodological, biomedical and pharmacological support, and organizations providing athletes with medical care;

41) is excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 29.09.2014 № 239-V ( shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication);

42) is excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 29.09.2014 № 239-V ( shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication);

43) approve the rules of assigning the status of "specialized" to sports schools and " specialized" departments of sports schools;

44) keep the register of physical culture and health and sports facilities;

44-1) develop and approve the rules for spending funds allocated for sporting events, also for instructional training sessions to physical culture and sports organizations that are funded from the republican and local budgets;

45) approve the rules for awarding titles in the nomination "The Best" to athletes, coaches , specialists in the field of physical culture and sports and physical culture and sports organizations;

46) in coordination with the authorized body in the field of mass media, shall develop rules for awarding the title "Best sports journalist";

47) approve the list of types of physical culture and sports organizations and the rules of their activities, providing the training process for preparation of sports reserve and high-class athletes;

48) in agreement with the authorized body for education, approve the rules of operation of specialized boarding schools-colleges of the Olympic reserve at the level of the Republic, a region, cities of republican significance, the capital, and boarding schools for children gifted in sports at the level of a region, cities of republican significance, the capital;



49) approve standard educational curricula by types of sports for specialized boarding schools-colleges of the Olympic reserve at the level of the Republic, a region, cities of republican significance, the capital, for boarding schools for children gifted in sports at the level of a region, cities of republican significance, the capital and coordinate the curricula of republican specialized boarding schools-colleges of the Olympic reserve;

49-1) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall go into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);

50) approve standard syllabuses by types of sports for specialized boarding schools-colleges of the Olympic reserve at the level of the Republic, a region, cities of republican significance, the capital, for boarding schools for children gifted in sports at the level of a region, cities of republican significance, the capital and coordinate the syllabuses of republican specialized schools boarding schools-colleges of the Olympic reserve;

50-1) form and approve the list of international and republican sports competitions, the winners of which are allowed to study in the form of external studies in educational institutions, implementing educational programs of technical and vocational, post-secondary education in the field of physical culture and sports;

50-2) issue permits to study in the form of external studies in educational organizations implementing educational programs of technical and vocational, post-secondary education in the field of physical culture and sports, funded from the republican budget;

51) develop and approve the standards for feeding animals and birds used in sports;

52) approve the criteria and amounts of payments under contracts for sporting activities with high-class athletes, coaches and specialists in the field of physical culture and sport who train high-class athletes;

53) approve the provisions (regulations) of international and republican sports competitions;

54) approve the cost structure of sports events;

55) approve the procedure and conditions for the classification of athletes with disabilities in agreement with the authorized body in the field of healthcare;

56) approve the composition of the organising committees for the preparation of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports for the Olympic, Paralympic, Deaflympic Games and other international competitions;

57) is excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 29.09.2014 № 239-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication);

58) within its competence, develop, conclude international treaties of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of physical culture and sports, ensure their implementation, represent the Republic of Kazakhstan in international sports organizations and at international sporting events;

59) is excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 11.05.2017 № 65-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication);

60) in coordination with the authorized body in the field of education, develop and approve the rules on the activities of educational organizations in the field of sports;

61) participate in formation of the state educational order for training specialists with higher and postgraduate education, as well as with technical and vocational, post-secondary education in sports education organizations, funded from the republican budget;

62) develop and approve the republican list of priority sports and the regional list of priority sports broken down by region, as well as the procedure for their financing from budgetary funds;

62-1) determine the list of sports of the highest achievement and the procedure for their financing from budgetary funds;

63) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into force upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);

63) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan No. 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into force upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);

65) develop and approve the size of the cost of prizes for champions and prize-winners of sports competitions held by the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports and local executive bodies;

65-1) develop and approve the rules for the provision of paid activities on the sale of goods (works, services) by state institutions in the field of physical culture and sports and their spending of money earned as a result of the sale of goods (works, services);

65-2) develop and approve the sports ethics of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

65-3) develop and approve the minimum state standards for the network of children and youth sports schools;

65-4) develop and approve the rules for the allocation of off-budget funds aimed at the development of physical culture and sports;

65-5) develop and approve the rules for the provision of dwelling to champions and prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games and its use;

65-6) select the single operator in accordance with this Law;

65-7) develop the rules for selecting the single operator for the distribution of off-budget funds aimed at the development of physical culture and sports;

65-8) develops and approves the rules for placing the state sports order in sports sections for children and youth and their functioning;

65-9) develops and approves the rules for per capita regulatory financing of sports sections for children and youth;



- 65-10) develops and approves the methodology for per capita regulatory financing of the state sports order;
- 65-11) develops and approves the rules for determining the rating of sports sections for children and youth;
- 65-12) approve the limits of budget funds allotted for the maintenance of professional sports clubs for game sports;
- 65-13) approve the rules for the registration, deregistration and use of sport horses;
- 65-14) approve the list of military-applied and service-applied, technical and other types of sports in agreement with the competent authority in the field of defence, law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan that oversee the development of military-applied and service-applied, technical and other types of sports;
- 65-15) provide training, retraining, professional development and certification for specialists in the field of physical education and sport;
- 65-16) develop and approve the amounts of monthly monetary allowances for athletes who are members of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports, as well as their coaches;
- 65-17) organise the construction and renovation of republican sports facilities and physical education and sports organisations engaged in training and coaching programmes for the preparation of sports reserves and high-class athletes;
- 65-18) take the measures stipulated in sub-paragraphs 2), 3), 4) and 5) of paragraph 1 and sub-paragraphs 1), 2) and 3) of paragraph 2 of Article 44-2 of this Law;
- 65-19) in conjunction with the authorised labour authority, develop and approve the rules for the appointment and dismissal of senior managers of state physical culture and sports organisations;
- 65-20) approve the rules for rotating the top managers of state physical culture and sports organisations;
- 65-21) rotate the top managers of republican state physical culture and sports organisations;
- 65-22) approve the rules for admission to republican, regional, republican-level city and capital specialised boarding schools-colleges of the Olympic reserve and regional, republican-level city and capital boarding schools for gifted children in sports, in agreement with the competent authority in the field of education;
- 65-23) approve the list of target indicators in the field of physical culture and sport;
- 65-24) annually informs local executive bodies of the target indicators in the field of physical culture and sport;
- 65-25) develop and approve normative legal acts in the field of physical culture and sport as per the goals and objectives of this Law and the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

66) exercise other powers provided for by this Law, other Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, acts of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 7 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 29.09.2014 № 239-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 11.05.2017 № 65-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 11.07.2017 № 91-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 24.05.2018 № 156-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 01.04.2019 № 240-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 280-VI as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (see Article 2 for the entry into force); dated 24.11.2021 № 75-VII (shall be enforced upon expiration of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); dated 19.04.2023 № 223-VII (shall be enforced ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication); dated 04.07.2023 № 15-VIII (shall be enforced sixty calendar days after the date of its first official publication); dated 19.06.2024 № 94-VIII (shall enter into force upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall take effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

**Article 8. Competence of local executive bodies, akims of a district in a town, a town of district significance, a rural district, a settlement and a village**

1. The local executive body of the region, the city of republican significance, the capital shall:

1) creates an infrastructure for sports activities of individuals, including taking into account accessibility for people with limited mobility, at the place of residence and in places of mass recreation;

1-1) exercises state control over the safe operation of sports equipment intended for mass sports;

2) organise regional, republican and capital city sports competitions in conjunction with national and/or local accredited sports federations;

2-1) take part in national and international sporting events organised by the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport in conjunction with nationally accredited sports federations;

3) ensure the preparation of teams from regions, cities of national importance and the capital in various sports and their participation in republican and international sports competitions in high-performance sports;

4) ensure the development of grassroots sports and national sports in the territory of the relevant administrative and territorial unit;

- 5) coordinate the activities of physical culture and sports organizations in the region, city of republican significance, the capital;
- 5-1) creates physical training clubs for children and youth, including adaptive physical culture and sports;
- 6) is excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 29.09.2014 № 239-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication);
- 7) take measures on the use of the sports facilities during non-school and evening time of educational organizations in order to ensure the work of sports sections for the population and to hold sports events;
- 8) confer sports classes to athletes, deprive athletes of sports classes such as: “candidate master of sport of the Republic of Kazakhstan”, first-class athlete;
- 9) confer qualification categories, deprive of qualification categories such as: top-level qualification coach of the first category, top-level qualification coach-instructor of the first category, mid-level qualification coach of the first category, mid-level qualification coach-instructor of the first category, top-level qualification methodologist of the first category, mid-level qualification methodologist of the first category, top-level qualification instructor-athlete of the first category, referee of the first category;
- 10) approve a unified regional calendar of mass sporting events based on proposals from local accredited sports federations and ensures its implementation;
- 11) coordinate the organization and conduct of sporting events in the territory of the relevant administrative and territorial unit;
- 12) collect, analyze and provide information to the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports on development of physical culture and sports in the territory of the relevant administrative and territorial unit in the form and within the time limits, established by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 13) accredit local sports federations;
- 14) implement standard educational curricula by types of sports for specialized boarding schools-colleges of the Olympic reserve at the level of a region, cities of republican significance, the capital and for boarding schools for children gifted in sports at the level of a region, cities of republican significance, the capital;
- 15) coordinate standard syllabuses for specialized boarding schools-colleges of the Olympic reserve at the level of a region, cities of republican significance, the capital and for boarding schools for children gifted in sports at the level of a region, cities of republican significance, the capital;
- 16) form and approve the composition of teams representing regions, cities of national importance and the capital by sport, based on proposals from local accredited sports federations;

16-1) approve individual training plans for athletes of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan, as well as teams of regions, cities of national importance and the capital by sport;

16-2) ensure the implementation of the regional list of priority sports by region, approved by the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sports”;

17) provide housing for champions and prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games in accordance with this Law;

17-1) take the measures mentioned in sub-paragraph 4) of paragraph 2 of Article 44-2 of this Law;

18) appoint and dismiss the head of the governing body for physical culture and sports of a region, city of republican significance, the capital in agreement with the authorized body for physical culture and sports;

19) organize medical support of official physical culture and sports events;

20) ensure public order and public safety during physical culture and sports events;

20-1) coordinate the use of health and fitness and sports facilities;

20-2) assign the status of "specialized" to sports schools, "specialized" departments of sports schools;

20-3) coordinate with national accredited sports federations the technical specifications and technical requirements for the design of sports facilities intended for international and national competitions;

20-4) pay monthly stipends to athletes who are members of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports, as well as to their coaches;

20-5) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall go into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);

20-6) organise the work of sports medicine and rehabilitation organisations;

20-7) approves the state sports order for financing of sports sections for children and youth within the scope of budgetary funds;

20-8) ensures the placement of the state sports order in sports sections for children and youth, regardless of the form of ownership of the service providers of state sports order, their departmental subordination, types and kinds;

20-9) ensures the execution of all stages and procedures for placement, quality control and targeted development of the state sports order in electronic and public formats;

20-10) set prices for goods (works, services) sold by state institutions in the field of physical culture and sport;

20-11) rotate the top managers of state physical culture and sports organisations under the rules for rotating the top managers of state physical culture and sports organisations in the relevant administrative-territorial unit;

20-12) ensure the achievement of target indicators in the field of physical culture and sport in the relevant administrative-territorial unit;

21) in the interests of local government, exercise other powers assigned to local executive bodies by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. Local executive body of a district, town of regional significance shall:

1) 1) creates an infrastructure for sports activities of individuals, including taking into account accessibility for people with limited mobility, at the place of residence and in places of mass recreation;

1-1) exercises state control over the safe operation of sports equipment intended for mass sports;

2) conduct district sports competitions, sports competitions of towns of regional significance by sports in conjunction with local accredited sports federations;

2-1) rotate the top managers of state physical culture and sports organisations as per the rules for rotating the top managers of state physical culture and sports organisations in the relevant administrative-territorial unit;

3) provide training of district teams, teams of towns of regional significance by sports and their performance at regional sports competitions;

4) ensure the development of grassroots sports and national sports in the territory of the relevant administrative and territorial unit;

5) coordinate the activities of district physical culture and sports organizations, towns of regional importance in the territory of the relevant administrative and territorial unit;

5-1) creates physical training clubs for children and youth, including adaptive physical culture and sports;

6) confer sports classes to athletes, deprives athletes of sports categories such as: second-class athlete, third-class athlete, first-class junior athlete, second-class junior athlete, third-class junior athlete;

7) confer qualification categories, deprive of qualification categories such as: top-level qualification coach of the second category, top-level qualification coach-instructor of the second category, mid-level qualification coach of the second category, mid-level qualification coach-instructor of the second category, top-level qualification methodologist of the second category, mid-level qualification methodologist of the second category, top-level qualification instructor-athlete of the second category, referee;

8) implement a unified regional calendar of sports events;

9) coordinate the organization and conduct of sporting events in the territory of the relevant administrative and territorial unit;

10) collect, analyze and provide information to the local executive body of the region, the city of republican significance, the capital on the development of physical culture and sports in the territory of the relevant administrative and territorial unit in the form and within the time limits, established by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

11) form and approve district and regional teams for various sports based on proposals from local accredited sports federations;

12) provide housing for champions and prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games in accordance with this Law;

13) organize medical support of official physical culture and sports events;

14) ensure public order and public safety during physical culture and sports events;

14-1) coordinate the construction of sports facilities in the region, the city of republican significance, the capital and ensure their availability to the population;

14-2) provide methodological and advisory assistance to sports organizations;

14-3) ensure the activities of district and urban non-specialized youth schools;

14-4) provides instructors in physical culture and sports for work with the population;

15) in the interests of local government, exercise other powers imposed on local executive bodies by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

3. Akim of the district in the city of republican significance, the capital shall:

1) confer sports classes to athletes, deprive athletes of sports classes such as: second-class athlete, third-class athlete, first-class junior athlete, second-class junior athlete, third-class junior athlete;

2) confer qualification categories, deprive of qualification categories such as: top-level qualification coach of the second category, top-level qualification coach-instructor of the second category, mid-level qualification coach of the second category, mid-level qualification coach-instructor of the second category, top-level qualification methodologist of the second category, mid-level qualification methodologist of the second category, top-level qualification instructor-athlete of the second category, referee;

3) solve other issues, assigned to his jurisdiction by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. Akim of a district in a town, town of district significance, rural district, settlement and village shall:

1) support and assist in the logistics of sports facilities;

2) create conditions for the development of physical culture and sports at the place of residence of individuals and in the places of their mass recreation in the territory of the relevant administrative and territorial unit;

2-1) promotes within the respective territories the formation and activities of sports clubs created on a voluntary basis;

3) organize, together with the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports and public associations of persons with disabilities, the holding of recreational and sports events among persons with disabilities;

4) solve other issues, assigned to his jurisdiction by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 8 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 29.09.2014 № 239-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 11.05.2017 № 65-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 28.12.2018 № 210-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 273-VI as of 26.11.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 280-VI as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (see Article 2 for the entry into force); dated 30.12.2020 № 397-VI (shall be enforced six months after the day of its first official publication); dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

### **Article 9. Propaganda of physical culture and sports**

1. Authorized bodies in the field of physical culture and sports, health and education, physical education and sports organizations, the media shall promote physical culture and sports, taking into account the age, professional and social characteristics of various groups of the population, disclose the social significance of physical culture and sports, their role in improving the nation's health, formation of a healthy lifestyle of individuals.

2. Mass media, local executive bodies, public associations of physical culture and sports orientation shall promote physical culture and sports, increase the level of public knowledge in the practical use of physical culture components to preserve and improve health, prevent diseases, achieve a high level of efficiency and active longevity, as well as humanistic ideals and values of sport.

## **Chapter 3. SYSTEM OF PHYSICAL CULTURE AND SPORTS**

### **Article 10. Subjects of physical culture and sports**

1. The subjects of physical culture and sports in the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be:

1) physical education and sports organisations: Olympic training centres, Olympic reserve training centres, sports federations, sports schools and sports clubs of all kinds, training centres, sports training centres, organisations that train national and regular national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan, organisations, that train teams from regions, cities of national importance and the capital in various sports, sports leagues, sports sections, organisations that organise competitions in military and service-related sports, departmental sports societies and public associations, physical culture centres that promote physical culture and sport;

2) educational organizations carrying out activities in the field of physical culture and sports;

3) scientific organizations engaged in research in the field of physical culture and sports;

4) an authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports, local executive bodies;

5) sports medicine organizations;

- 6) individuals, engaged in physical culture, athletes, teams (sports teams), sports judges, coaches and other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports;
- 7) National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 8) National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 9) National Deaflympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 10) Special Olympics Kazakhstan;
- 11) anti-doping organisations.

2. Physical culture and sports organizations shall participate in the organization of work on development of physical culture and sports among various groups of population, create conditions for protecting and promoting the health of athletes and other people participating in sports competitions and training activities, provide athletes, coaches and specialists in physical culture and sports with necessary conditions for training.

3. Physical culture and sports organizations of the Republic of Kazakhstan may be the members of international sports organizations, acquire rights and bear obligations in accordance with the status of members of international sports organizations, if such rights and obligations do not contradict the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. Physical education and sports organisations shall implement training and coaching programmes to prepare sports reserves and high-level athletes under the national sports training standards.

**Footnote. Article 10 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 15.04.2025 № 183-VIII (shall be enacted upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

#### **Article 11. Accreditation of sports federations**

1. National and local sports federations shall be subject to accreditation.

2. Within the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, one national sports federation per sport for which there is no corresponding nationally accredited sports federation shall be subject to accreditation.

3. A nationally accredited sports federation for Olympic and non-Olympic sports must be a member of an international sports federation recognised by the International Olympic Committee on behalf of the Republic of Kazakhstan and/or be recognised by the National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. A nationally accredited sports federation for national sports must be a member of the international sports organisation for the relevant sport on behalf of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

5. A nationally accredited sports federation for Paralympic and non-Paralympic sports must be a member of an international sports federation recognised by the International Paralympic Committee on behalf of the Republic of Kazakhstan and/or be recognised by the National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan.



6. A nationally accredited sports federation for Paralympic and non-Paralympic sports must be a member of an international sports federation recognised by the International Paralympic Committee on behalf of the Republic of Kazakhstan and/or be recognised by the National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

7. If a sports federation develops a sport (or sports) in more than half of the regions, cities of national importance, and the capital, the federation is accredited with the status of “national”.

8. A sports federation shall be granted “national” status from the date of accreditation by the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sports.

9. The local accredited sports federation must be a member of the national accredited sports federation for the sport(s) in question.

10. A sports federation for a particular sport shall be granted “local” status from the date of accreditation by the local executive body.

**Footnote. Article 11 - as revised by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall enter into force upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

## **Article 12. Rights and obligations of accredited sports federations**

1. National accredited sports federations shall be entitled to:

- 1) to organize and conduct sports events according to the appropriate type (s) of sport;
- 2) to improve the system of training athletes by the type (s) of sports;
- 3) within the competence to participate in the organization of the transition of an athlete from one physical education and sports organization to another;
- 4) impose restrictions on participation in international sports competitions in relevant sports on athletes who are not eligible to compete for the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan or teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in sports, as per the rules of international sports organisations holding relevant international competitions;
- 5) have all rights to use the symbols of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan or the teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports;
- 6) to make proposals on inclusion of sports disciplines in the register of the types of sports ;
- 7) to receive financial and other support provided for development of relevant types of sports from various sources not prohibited by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 8) to exercise other rights in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. National accredited sports federations shall be required to:

- 1) to develop and popularize types of sports;
- 2) to develop and approve the rules for the types of sports as agreed with the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports in accordance with the requirements of international sports organizations (if available);

- 3) develop and submit for approval to the authorised body in the field of physical culture and sports comprehensive target programmes for sports;
- 4) develop and approve regulations (rules) for sporting competitions held by nationally accredited sports federations;
- 5) ensure the preparation and participation of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in international sports competitions;
- 6) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall take effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);
- 7) to provide information to the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports on the development of relevant types of sports;
- 8) to counteract the manifestation of any forms of discrimination and violence in sports;
- 8-1) take measures to prevent religious extremism and terrorism;
- 9) to develop and implement a unified republican calendar of sports events;
- 10) to submit requirements and norms of relevant sports to the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports in the prescribed manner in order to incorporate them into a single sports classification and qualification requirements for certification of coaches;
- 11) to train sports judges by sports;
- 12) to ensure the retraining of coaches, certification of coaches, sports judges and specialists in the field of physical culture and sports;
- 13) to submit documents on the deprivation of sports titles and qualification categories to the authorized body for physical culture and sports, unless otherwise provided for by this Law ;
- 13-1) to submit documents on the deprivation of sports classes and qualification categories to local executive bodies, unless otherwise provided for by this Law;
- 13-2) to obtain approval for documents on the conferment of sports titles, classes and qualification categories, which are submitted to the authorized body for physical culture and sports or the local executive body;
- 14) to register athletes;
- 15) keep a register of athletes, certified sports judges, coaches;
- 16) to counteract the use of doping in accordance with the requirements, established by the anti-doping rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 17) to publish in the mass media or post on their Internet resources the anti-doping rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan and international sports federations for relevant types of sports in the Kazakh and Russian languages;
- 18) in accordance with the anti-doping rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan, to provide the national anti-doping organization with the necessary information for formation of a list of athletes to conduct the testing both in competitive and out-of-competition periods;

19) to notify athletes in accordance with the anti-doping rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan on their inclusion in the list of athletes to be tested both in competitive and out-of-competition periods;

20) to assist in the testing of athletes in accordance with the anti-doping rules;

21) disqualify athletes, coaches, coach-instructors, sports medicine specialists, sports referees, physical education and sports specialists, and animals participating in sports competitions, based on and in accordance with the decision of the relevant anti-doping organisation and/or international sports federation for breaching the rules of sports and/or for infringing the regulations (rules) of sports competitions, and/or for violating sports ethics, and /or for violating the standards approved by international sports organisations and/or national accredited sports federations;

22) to inform the authorized body for physical culture and sports, the national anti-doping organization, the international sports federation of the relevant sport on disqualification;

23) on the basis of the results of the methodological work, to provide recommendations to the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports on the development of the type of sport;

24) to fulfill obligations for development of professional sports, if these conditions are provided for by the requirements of international sports federations;

24-1) develop methodological guidelines for the training process for each age group of athletes by sport in consultation with the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport;

25) to perform other duties in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and their charters.

3. Local accredited sports federations shall be entitled:

1) to organize and carry out sports events at the level of a region, a city of republican significance, the capital according to the appropriate type (s) of sports;

2) within the competence to participate in the organization of the transition of an athlete from one physical culture and sports organization to another;

3) to send to the relevant local executive body of the region, the city of republican significance, the capital, information on the development of the type (s) of sports;

4) to receive financial and other support provided for the development of relevant types of sports from various sources not prohibited by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

5) to exercise other rights in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. Local accredited sports federations shall be obliged:

1) to develop and popularize sports;

2) to develop plans for training of athletes in the relevant type of sport (s);

3) to develop rules (regulations) for sports competitions held by a local accredited sports federation and submit them to the local executive body for approval;

- 4) to ensure the preparation and participation of athletes in sports competitions;
- 5) to provide information to the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports on the development of relevant types of sports;
- 6) to counteract the manifestation of any forms of discrimination and violence in sports;
- 6-1) take measures to prevent religious extremism and terrorism;
- 7) to take part in development and implementation of a unified republican calendar of sports events;
- 8) to counteract the use of doping in accordance with the requirements, established by the anti-doping rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 9) to publish in the mass media or post on their Internet resources the anti-doping rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan and international sports federations for relevant types of sports in the Kazakh and Russian languages;
- 10) in accordance with the anti-doping rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan, to provide the national anti-doping organization with the necessary information for formation of a list of athletes to conduct testing both in the competitive and out-of-competition periods;
- 11) to notify athletes in accordance with the anti-doping rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan of their inclusion in the list of athletes to be tested both in competitive and out-of-competition periods;
- 12) to assist in conducting testing in accordance with the procedure of doping control;
- 13) disqualify athletes, coaches, coach-instructors, sports medicine specialists, sports referees, physical education and sports specialists, and animals participating in sports competitions, based on and in accordance with the decision of the relevant anti-doping organisation and/or international sports federation for breaching the rules of sports and/or for violating the regulations (rules) of sports competitions, and/or for infringing sports ethics, and /or for violating the standards approved by international sports organisations and/or national accredited sports federations;
- 14) to inform the authorized body for physical culture and sports, the national anti-doping organization, the international sports federation for the relevant sport on disqualification;
- 15) on the basis of the results of the methodological work, to provide recommendations to the local executive body of the region, the city of republican significance, the capital for development of types of sports;
- 15-1) to submit documents on the deprivation of sports classes and qualification categories to local executive bodies, unless otherwise provided for by this Law;
- 15-2) to obtain approval for documents on the conferment of sports classes and qualification categories, which are submitted to local executive bodies;
- 16) to perform other duties in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and their charters.

**Footnote. Article 12 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 183-**

VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall go into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

**Article 13. The National Olympic Movement. National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan**

1. The National Olympic Movement shall be an integral part of the international Olympic movement, aimed to promote and introduce the principles of the Olympic movement, promote the development of physical culture and sports, strengthen international sports cooperation, participate in the Olympic Games and other international sports events, held under the auspices of the International Olympic Committee.

2. The national Olympic movement is led by the National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, which is a public association operating in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on public associations, the Olympic Charter of the International Olympic Committee and on the basis of its recognition by the International Olympic Committee, as well as in accordance with its charter. The state recognizes and supports the national Olympic movement by providing every kind of assistance to the National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the implementation of its statutory goals.

3. The National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall:

1) promote the principles of the Olympic movement in the state, promote the development of high performance sports and grassroots sports;

2) in accordance with the Olympic Charter of the International Olympic Committee, represent the Republic of Kazakhstan at the Olympic Games and other international sports events, held under the auspices of the International Olympic Committee;

3) represent the Republic of Kazakhstan in the International Olympic Committee;

4) when interacting with the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports, conduct a unified policy for development of high performance sports and grassroots sports;

5) participate in development and implementation of measures aimed at ensuring the necessary level of training of athletes of the Republic of Kazakhstan to participate in the Olympic Games and other international sports events, held under the auspices of the International Olympic Committee;

6) in agreement with the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport and the local executive body of the region, city of national importance, capital, has the right to file an application to the International Olympic Committee for the candidate city of the Republic of Kazakhstan to host the Olympic Games;

7) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into force upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

4. The National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, in accordance with the Olympic Charter of the International Olympic Committee, shall take measures to protect the rights, belonging to the International Olympic Committee, to use the Olympic symbol,

motto, flag and anthem, the names Olympic Games and the Games of the Olympics in the Republic of Kazakhstan. The National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall have the exclusive rights to the Olympic emblem of the National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the motto, the flag and other national Olympic symbols.

5. The performances of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports at the Olympic Games and other international sporting events held under the patronage of the International Olympic Committee shall be made under the State Flag of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

6. In cooperation with the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport and nationally accredited sports federations, the National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall exercise its powers to develop high-performance and mass sports, as well as ensuring the required level of training for athletes of the Republic of Kazakhstan to participate in the Olympic Games and other international sporting events held under the auspices of the International Olympic Committee.

7. The National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall implement its statutory tasks using its own sources of funding, charitable assistance, and voluntary donations from individuals and legal entities.

8. The National Olympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall have the right to receive state tasks in accordance with the budget legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Footnote. Article 13 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 16.11.2015 № 403-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 11.05.2017 № 65-VI (the order of enforcement, see article 2); № 280-VI as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be enacted upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

#### **Article 13-1. National Paralympic Movement. National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan**

1. The National Paralympic Movement shall be an integral part of the International Paralympic Movement, the goals of which are to promote and implement the principles of the Paralympic Movement, promote the development of physical culture and sports among athletes with disabilities in Paralympic sports, strengthen international sports cooperation, participate in the Paralympic Games and other international sports events held under the auspices of the International Paralympic Committee.

2. The national Paralympic movement is led by the National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, which is a public association operating in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on public associations, the Code of Rules of the International Paralympic Committee and on the basis of its recognition by the International Paralympic Committee, as well as in accordance with its charter. The state recognizes and supports the national Paralympic movement by providing every kind of assistance to the



National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the implementation of its statutory goals.

3. The National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall:

1) promote the principles of the Paralympic movement in the state, contribute to the development of Paralympic sports of high performance and grassroots sports;

2) represent the Republic of Kazakhstan at the Paralympic Games and other international sports events, held under the auspices of the International Paralympic Committee in accordance with the Code of Rules of the International Paralympic Committee;

3) represent the Republic of Kazakhstan in the International Paralympic Committee;

4) when interacting with the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports, conduct a unified policy for development of Paralympic high performance and grassroots sports;

5) participates in the development and implementation of measures aimed at ensuring the necessary level of training of athletes with disabilities of the Republic of Kazakhstan to participate in the Paralympic Games and other international sporting events held under the auspices of the International Paralympic Committee;

6) in agreement with the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport and the local executive body of the region, city of national importance, capital, shall be entitled to file an application to the International Paralympic Committee for the candidate city of the Republic of Kazakhstan to host the Paralympic Games;

7) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into force upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

4. The National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, in accordance with the Code of Rules of the International Paralympic Committee, shall take measures to protect the rights of the International Paralympic Committee to use the Paralympic symbol, motto, flag and anthem, the names Paralympic Games, Games of Paralympiad in the Republic of Kazakhstan. The National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall have the exclusive rights to the Paralympic emblem of the National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the motto, the flag and other national Paralympic symbols.

5. The performances of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports at the Paralympic Games and other international sporting events held under the patronage of the International Paralympic Committee shall be carried out under the State Flag of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

6. In cooperation with the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport and nationally accredited sports federations, the National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall exercise its powers to develop Paralympic sports of the highest achievement and mass sports, as well as ensuring the required level of training for athletes

with disabilities of the Republic of Kazakhstan to participate in the Paralympic Games and other international sporting events held under the auspices of the International Paralympic Committee.

7. The National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall implement its statutory objectives using its own sources of funding, charitable assistance, and voluntary donations from individuals and legal entities.

8. The National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan has the right to receive state tasks in accordance with the budget legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Footnote.** Chapter 3 is supplemented by Article 13-1 in accordance with the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 11.05.2017 № 65-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (the enforcement procedure is in Art. 2); dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall go into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

**Article 13-2. The national Deaflympic movement. The National Deaflympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan**

1. The National Deaflympics Movement is an integral part of the International Deaflympics Movement, the goals of which are to promote and implement the principles of the Deaflympics movement, to promote the development of physical culture and sports among athletes with disabilities in Deaflympics, to strengthen international sports cooperation, to participate in the Deaflympics and other international sports events held under the auspices of the International Committee for Sports of the Deaf.

2. The national Deaflympic movement is led by the National Deaflympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, which is a public association operating in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on public associations, the charter of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf, as well as in accordance with its charter. The state recognizes and supports the national Deaflympic movement by providing every kind of assistance to the National Deaflympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the implementation of its statutory goals.

3. The National Deaflympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan:

1) promotes the principles of the Deaflympic movement in the state, promotes the development of deaflympic types of high-performance sports and mass sports;

2) represents, in accordance with the charter of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf, the Republic of Kazakhstan at the Deaflympic Games and other international sporting events held under the auspices of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf;

3) represents the Republic of Kazakhstan in the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf;



4) in interaction with the authorized body for physical culture and sports, pursues a unified policy for the development of deaflympic types of high-performance sports and mass sports;

5) participates in the development and implementation of measures aimed at ensuring the necessary level of training of athletes with disabilities of the Republic of Kazakhstan to participate in the Deaflympics and other international sports events held under the auspices of the International Committee for Deaf Sports;

6) in agreement with the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport and the local executive body of the region, city of national importance, capital, shall be entitled to submit to the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf an application for a candidate city of the Republic of Kazakhstan to host the Deaflympics;

7) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into force upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

4. The National Deaflympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, in accordance with the charter of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf, takes measures to protect the rights of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf to use the Deaflympic symbol, motto, flag and anthem, the name “Deaflympic Games” in the Republic of Kazakhstan. The National Deaflympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan has exclusive rights to the Deaflympic emblem of the National Deaflympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the motto, the flag and other national Deaflympic symbols.

5. The performances of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports at the Deaflympics and other international sporting events held under the patronage of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf shall be carried out under the national flag of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

6. In cooperation with the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sports and nationally accredited sports federations, the National Deaflympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall exercise its powers to develop high-performance and mass Deaflympic sports, as well as ensuring the required level of training for athletes with disabilities of the Republic of Kazakhstan to participate in the Deaflympics and other international sporting events held under the auspices of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf.

7. The National Deaflympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall implement its statutory tasks using its own sources of funding, charitable assistance, and voluntary donations from individuals and legal entities.

Footnote. Chapter 3 is supplemented with Article 13-2 in accordance with Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its

first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall go into force upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

#### **Article 14. The Special Olympics movement, Special Olympics public associations**

1. The Special Olympic Movement is a part of the International Special Olympic Movement, the objectives of which are to promote the development of physical culture and sports for persons with disabilities, strengthen international cooperation in this area, and to participate in the International Special Olympic Games.

2. The Special Olympics movement is led by the special Olympics public association, operating in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on public associations, the charters of the relevant international sports organizations and on the basis of its recognition by international sports organizations, and also in accordance with its charter.

3. The Public Association for Special Olympic Sports shall represent the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports at the Special Olympic Games and other international sporting events held under the auspices of the International Special Olympic Committee.

4. The special Olympics public association fulfils its statutory tasks using its own sources of funding, charitable assistance, voluntary donations from individuals and legal entities, as well as budgetary funds allocated in the manner prescribed by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 14 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (shall be enforced upon expiration of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 ( shall go into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

#### **Article 15. Physical education and sports in educational organizations**

1. Physical education in educational organizations shall be carried out in school and out-of-school time in accordance with the state educational standards and model curricula.

2. Physical education is carried out in preschool organizations, organizations of secondary , technical and vocational, post-secondary education, as well as in organizations of higher and (or) postgraduate education that implement higher education programs for students of the first and second years of study, in an amount of at least three hours per week.

Students and educatees with temporary health problems shall attend special medical groups and therapeutic physical education groups.

Students and educatees with disabilities (with permanent physical or mental health impairments) shall take part in adaptive physical education and sports groups or general groups using adaptive physical education and sports methods and equipment.

By agreement with the authorized body in the field of education in the physical education classes in the educational organizations specified in part one of this paragraph, the use of a mandatory component for national sports is provided in accordance with the list approved by the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports.

Students having a certificate from a medical advisory commission are exempted from PE lessons.

Students and educatees with disabilities (with permanent physical or mental health impairments) shall take part in adaptive physical education and sports groups or general groups using adaptive physical education and sports methods and equipment.

2-1. Physical education classes in boarding schools for gifted children in sports, specialised boarding schools-colleges of the Olympic reserve, and technical and vocational post-secondary education institutions in the field of sports shall be conducted in the form of a training process in the selected type (types) of (sports) within the allocated teaching hours and shall be stated in the state-approved education document as a physical education discipline.

3. Pre-school educational organizations, secondary schools and other educational organizations for physical education of students and pupils shall form physical education skills, engage in sports, conduct fitness and recreation and sports activities and assist public associations and other legal entities in organizing and conducting sports events with the participation of children of preschool age, students and pupils.

4. For doing sports in extracurricular time, the sports clubs, sections and out-of-school sports and recreational organizations shall be created, including sports schools of various types, youth physical education clubs, children's and adolescent clubs at the place of residence, and other legal entities whose activities are aimed at physical education and sports training of children of preschool age, students and pupils.

5. For the purpose of training of a reserve of athletes, specialized sports classes and groups shall be created in general education schools in agreement with local executive bodies, offering sports training for students and educatees in various sports, based on an in-depth training process as per the rules for the functioning of specialised sports classes, developed and approved by the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sports in agreement with the authorised body in the field of education.

6. Training of athletes in specialized boarding schools for children gifted in sports, specialized boarding schools-colleges of the Olympic reserve shall be carried out in the manner established by the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports, in coordination with the authorized body in the field of education.

7. Training of athletes in educational institutions shall be carried out in accordance with the rules, programs and regulations approved by the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports.

8. Creation of the necessary conditions for physical education in pre-school educational organizations, out-of-school sports and recreation organizations and other educational organizations shall be entrusted to local executive bodies.

9. In order to develop student and school sports, educational organizations may create sports clubs, student and school leagues, federations for sports among students and pupils.

10. Individuals and legal entities carrying out activities in the field of student and school sports may be members of the student and / or school sports league.

11. The procedure for forming student and school leagues, organizing and holding sporting events among student and school leagues shall be determined by the authorized body in the field of education in coordination with the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports.

**Footnote. Article 15 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (shall be enforced upon expiration of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); dated 23.02.2024 № 64-VIII (shall be enforced upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall take effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

#### **Article 16. Development of military-applied, service-applied and other sports in the Armed Forces, other troops and military formations, law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan**

1. The basis of military-applied and service-applied types of sports shall be the special actions (including technique) related to the performance of military duties by servicemen and law enforcement officers and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan, developed as part of the activities of one or more government bodies.

2. Physical training of servicemen and law enforcement officers and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be the main subject of training conducted in order to increase the body's stability of servicemen and law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan to various conditions related to the peculiarities of military service, service in law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the implementation of combat and operational and service tasks, taking into account changes in the physical factors of environment.

3. Physical training in the Armed Forces, other troops and military formations, law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be carried out in order to successfully perform official duties by the employees based on physical training programs, approved by the Defense Ministry of the Republic of Kazakhstan, law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. Sports clubs, physical education and sports organizations can be created and operate in the Armed Forces, other troops and military units, law enforcement and special state bodies of

the Republic of Kazakhstan in order to attract military personnel and law enforcement officers and special state bodies to regular sports activities, to develop relevant military-applied, service-applied, technical and other sports, training of athletes, as well as formation of national teams.

5. The organizations referred to in paragraph 4 of this article shall carry out the training process, create conditions for involving the military personnel of all categories and law enforcement officers and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan in sports, training athletes to participate in sports competitions, including the World Army Games, the Games of friendly armies, world championships and the World Games of police and firemen, providing for the organization of training and sports events, medical support, rehabilitation measures after intense exercise, illnesses and injuries in athletes, provision of food, accommodation and travel, as well as the provision of sports equipment and facilities, taking measures to improve the skills of trainers and other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports.

6. The Defense Ministry of the Republic of Kazakhstan, law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan, managing the development of military-applied and service-applied, technical and other sports, form combined teams by relevant types of sports to participate in sporting events, regularly test physical fitness of military personnel and employees of law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan, organize, conduct and support republican and international sporting events, develop and timely amend the sports classification for military-applied, service-applied, technical and other sports, submit to the authorized body for physical culture and sports, local executive bodies documents on the conferment of sports titles to athletes and coaches, sports classes to athletes, qualification categories to coaches and referees from among the military personnel and employees of law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan, confer sports classes to athletes, qualification categories to coaches and referees, and degrees to military personnel in the manner prescribed by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

7. The unified calendar of sports events for military-applied and service-applied, technical and other types of sports held among military personnel and law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be approved by the Defense Ministry of the Republic of Kazakhstan, law-enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Footnote. Article 16 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 11.05.2017 № 65-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 280-VI as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication).**

**Article 17. Physical culture and sports in labor collectives**

1. Legal entities may provide funds for development of physical culture to improve the health of employees and create conditions for execution of the right by individuals for physical culture and sports.

2. Creation of a material base, its use, financing, provision of specialists for organizing individual and collective physical education and sports activities of employees, their family members shall be determined by collective contracts and (or) by the decision of the management body of a legal entity and (or) an individual entrepreneur.

3. In labor collectives, departmental physical culture and sports societies may be established on a voluntary basis and by the sectoral principle, uniting individuals for doing sports.

4. The organizational and legal form of societies and the procedure for their activities shall be determined in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

#### **Article 18. Physical culture and sports at the place of residence and in places of mass recreation of the population**

1. Development of physical culture and sports at the place of residence and in places of mass recreation of the population shall include:

1) creation of infrastructure for physical training and sports for individuals, including taking into account accessibility for people with limited mobility;

2) organization of the work of sports clubs and sections;

3) organization and conduct of sports and recreational and sports activities;

4) support of physical education and sports organizations in allocation of the necessary facilities and provision of sports facilities for physical culture and sports in public recreation places;

5) provision of the proper technical condition of health and fitness and sports facilities.

2. Sanatorium-resort organizations, boarding houses, holiday homes, tourist centers and children's recreation camps shall create conditions for individual, group and family sports and recreational activities.

**Footnote. Article 18 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (shall be enforced upon expiration of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

#### **Article 19. Adaptive physical culture and sports, physical rehabilitation and social adaptation of persons with disabilities**

1. Physical rehabilitation and social adaptation of persons with disabilities using the methods of adaptive physical culture and sports shall be carried out in sports clubs, schools, and sections of persons with disabilities, physical culture, and sports organizations.

2. The educational and training process, the content of training stages in physical culture and sports organizations for persons with disabilities shall be carried out on the basis of



programs for sports developed by the relevant public associations for Paralympic, Deaflympics, Special Olympic sports, and approved by the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports.

3. The organization of physical culture and sports for persons with disabilities, training, methodological, medical support, and medical supervision over physical culture and sports for persons with disabilities shall be assigned to the bodies of education, healthcare, social protection of the population, physical culture, and sports.

4. Local executive bodies shall facilitate development of sports among persons with disabilities, provision of special sports equipment and create conditions for persons with disabilities to access health and fitness and sports facilities for physical culture and sports.

Depending on the category of disability, the listed services shall be provided out of budgetary funds and on preferential terms in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on social protection.

5. Local executive bodies of regions, cities of republican significance, the capital, districts, and cities of regional significance, together with physical culture and sports organizations shall ensure the opening of sports clubs, schools, and sections, as well as the training of persons with disabilities and their participation in republican sports competitions.

Local executive bodies of regions, cities of republican significance, the capital, districts, and cities of regional significance, together with public associations of persons with disabilities shall organize sports events at the level of the region, city of republican significance, the capital, district, city of regional significance.

5-1. Athletes with first-group disabilities, including musculoskeletal disorders, visual impairments, and intellectual disabilities, shall go to training camps, sporting events, and international competitions accompanied by an assistant for athletes with first-group disabilities.

When sending athletes with first-group disabilities, who have musculoskeletal disorders, visual impairments, or intellectual disabilities, to training camps, sports events and international sports competitions, shall reimburse the accompanying person of the athlete with a first-group disability for the expenses envisaged by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

6. The authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports, together with public associations of persons with disabilities shall organize the holding of republican sports competitions.

The competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport, jointly with physical culture and sports organisations, shall organise the training of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in sports for persons with disabilities and their participation in international sports competitions, including the Paralympic Games, Deaflympics and World Special Olympics.

Footnote. Article 19 - is in the wording of the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 20.04.2023 № 226-VII (shall be enforced from 01.07.2023); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be put into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

#### **Article 20. Physical culture and sports in correctional institutions**

1. Physical education of convicts shall be carried out in correctional institutions.
2. The administration of correctional institutions shall provide conditions for physical culture and sports and organize sports events in accordance with the rules for types of sports.
3. The convicted persons shall have the right, at their own expense, to purchase sports clothing, shoes for physical training and sports.

### **Chapter 4. DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL TYPES OF SPORTS**

#### **Article 21. National types of sports**

1. National types of sports shall be an integral part of sports, the recognition of which is carried out in the manner, prescribed by this Law.
2. Local executive bodies of regions, cities of republican significance, the capital shall ensure the development of national types of sports by opening sports clubs, schools, sections, holding sports events at the level of a region, city of republican significance, the capital, training and participation of athletes in national types of sports at republican, international sports competitions, creation of appropriate infrastructure.
3. The organization of classes in national sports, personnel training, methodological, medical and anti-doping support, conferment, deprivation of sports titles, classes and qualification categories are carried out in the manner prescribed by this Law and other legislation of the Republic
4. The competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport, jointly with nationally accredited sports federations for national sports, shall organise international and national competitions, as well as the preparation and participation of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in international sports competitions.

Footnote. Article 21 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into effect upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

#### **Article 22. The right to establish associations, sports clubs by national types of sports**

Citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall have the right to establish voluntary associations, amateur and professional sports clubs and organizations of national types of sports equal to them, acting in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.



## **Chapter 5. SPORTS RESERVE AND SPORTS OF HIGH PERFORMANCE**

### **Article 23. Rights and obligations of athletes**

1. Athletes shall be entitled to:
  - 1) choose the type (s) of sports;
  - 2) participate in sports competitions in the selected types of sports in the manner, established by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
  - 3) obtain sports categories and sports titles subject to fulfillment of the standards and requirements of a unified sports classification;
  - 4) transfer from one physical culture and sports organization to another or a foreign physical culture and sports organization by mutual agreement of physical culture and sports organizations;
  - 5) conclude contracts on sports activities in the manner, established by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
  - 6) assist sports federations in the selected types of sports in protecting the rights and legitimate interests of athletes in international sports organizations;
  - 7) exercise other rights in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.
2. Athletes shall be obliged:
  - 1) to know the musical version and text of the National Anthem of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
  - 2) to comply with safety requirements while participating in sporting events and while staying at sports facilities;
  - 3) not to use doping, to comply with the established procedure for passing the mandatory doping control;
  - 4) to observe the sports ethics;
  - 5) comply with the requirements of the organizers of the competition in accordance with the provisions of such competitions;
  - 6) comply with sanitary and hygienic requirements, medical requirements, regularly undergo medical examinations;
  - 7) perform other duties in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Footnote. Article 23 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication).**

### **Article 24. Training of sports reserve and high-class athletes**

1. Reserve athletes and high-level athletes shall be trained by physical education and sports organisations that offer training and coaching based on national standards for sports training. The training of reserve athletes and high-level athletes shall include training and coaching as well as sporting events.

2. The training process shall be divided into the following stages of training athletes, the content of which shall be approved by the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports:

- 1) sports and fitness;
- 2) initial training;
- 3) training;
- 4) improvement of sportsmanship;
- 5) higher sportsmanship.

3. The costs of organizing the training process shall be covered within the limits of the allocated funds of physical culture and sports organizations.

4. Services, related to the maintenance, provision, preparation and participation of athletes by sport in sporting events, including the organization and conduct of sporting events, shall be purchased at the state-owned enterprises in relation to which the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports or a local executive body exercises administration in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on state property.

**Footnote. Article 24 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be enacted upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

#### **Article 25. Peculiarities of training high-class athletes**

1. High-level athletes shall be trained by Kazakhstani and foreign experts in the field of physical culture and sports, as well as by physical culture and sports organisations under comprehensive target programmes for specific sports, approved by the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sports.

2. Training of high-class athletes shall be carried out on a contractual basis in accordance with the civil legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

3. The contract on sports activities should contain the rights and obligations of the athlete, coach and legal entity, the provisions on social and health insurance, the conditions for the conclusion and termination of the contract. The contract on sports activities may contain other conditions and obligations that do not contradict the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan

4. The obligatory condition of the contract on sports activities shall be the presence of a certificate of registration of the athlete.

**Footnote. Article 25 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall enter into force upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

#### **Article 26. National and state national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan by sport and the procedure for their formation**

Footnote. The title as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall go into effect upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

1. The national and state national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports shall be formed for the purpose of training and participating in international sports competitions and may comprise main and reserve teams.

2. The composition of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports shall be formed from among athletes included in the corresponding list of candidates for the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports.

3. The composition of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan for each sport shall be formed from among the members of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan for each sport.

4. The composition of teams representing regions, cities of national importance and the capital by sport shall be formed from among athletes included in the corresponding list of candidates for teams representing regions, cities of national importance and the capital by sport.

5. Material and technical support for members of national and regular national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan, teams of regions, cities of national importance and the capital by sport includes scientific and methodological, medical and biological, medical and anti-doping support, and provision of sports equipment.

Footnote. Article 26 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be enacted upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

## **Chapter 6. PROFESSIONAL SPORT**

### **Article 27. The right to engage in professional sports**

1. Citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall have the right to engage in paid professional sports activities both in the Republic of Kazakhstan and other countries on a contractual basis.

2. Peculiarities of regulation of relations between professional athletes, coaches and other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports shall be established by the civil legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and other regulatory legal acts.

3. To ensure and protect their rights and legitimate interests, professional athletes may, in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan, unite into trade unions.

4. The order of creation and the conditions for the functioning of trade unions and the involvement in professional sports, the conclusion of contract on sports activities shall be determined by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

5. Professional activities of athletes, sports judges, coaches and other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports, associated with the preparation and participation in sports

competitions and being the source of their income, shall be regulated by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Article 28. Guarantees of the rights of professional athletes and coaches, other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports**

1. Athletes, coaches and other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports who have concluded a contract on sports activities with a professional sports club shall be entitled to receive compensation related to their activities, including in connection with transfer to another professional sports club.

2. For the period of disqualification when bringing to disciplinary responsibility a professional sports club shall be obliged to ensure the participation of a professional athlete in the training process.

3. A professional athlete and coach, another specialist in the field of physical culture and sports shall be compensated for their expenses on food, travel, accommodation and preparation for sports competitions, organization of the rehabilitation process, medical treatment in case of a sports injury or illness, as well as other expenses in the amounts, determined by the contract on sports activities.

4. If a professional athlete is not allowed to participate in sports competitions due to the fault of a professional sports club due to failure to sign the necessary insurance contracts, failure of a professional sportsman to pass a mandatory prior or periodic medical examination, training, testing of knowledge and skills in the field of labor protection, the professional sports club shall reimburse the damage caused to the professional athlete in the manner, prescribed by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Article 29. Rights and obligations of professional sports federations**

1. A professional sports federation shall have the right:

1) within its competence to accept documents that are obligatory for execution by professional sports entities that are members of this sports federation or recognizing this federation;

2) to allow professional athletes, professional coaches and other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports to participate in sports competitions;

3) to organize and conduct sports competitions, determine the structure, calendar, other conditions for holding sports competitions, delegate the right to hold sports competitions by types of sports, as defined by the charter of the federation;

4) to register and keep records of contracts on sports activities and other contracts in the field of professional sports;

5) to introduce and carry out certification and accreditation of professional sports clubs, giving the right of admission to participate in competitions held by the federation;

6) to organize the refereeing of sports competitions;

7) to monitor sports competitions held by professional sports clubs;

8) to issue sports certificates and other documents to professional athletes;

9) to develop and strengthen ties with international sports federations.

2. A professional sports federation shall be obliged:

1) to ensure the protection of the rights and interests of subjects of professional sports at the international and national levels;

2) to take measures against the use of doping;

3) excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into force upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication);

4) to develop the infrastructure and material and technical base of sports;

5) to organize the promotion and popularization of sports among the population;

6) to provide assistance to veterans and persons with disabilities of professional sports;

7) to register professional athletes;

8) keep a register of professional athletes;

9) to publish in the mass media or post information on the registration of professional athletes in the Kazakh and Russian languages on their Internet resources;

10) to perform other duties in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the charter of the federation.

3. A professional sports federation shall have the right to transfer certain rights and obligations provided for by this Law to professional sports organizations on the basis of agreements concluded between them, if they do not contradict the constituent documents of a professional sports federation.

Footnote. Article 29 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into force upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

### **Article 30. Rights and obligations of professional sports clubs**

1. Professional sports club shall have the right:

1) to conclude, amend and terminate contracts with sportsmen, coaches and other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports on sports activities in the manner, prescribed by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

2) to foster professional athletes, professional coaches and other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports for high athletic performance;

3) to require professional athletes and coaches, other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports to perform their duties specified in the concluded contracts on sports activities;

4) to exercise other rights in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of physical culture and sports.

2. Professional sports club shall be obliged:

1) to make timely payments to a professional athlete, professional coach and other specialist in the field of physical culture and sports in accordance with the concluded contract on sports activities;

2) to organize mandatory preliminary, periodic and extraordinary medical examinations of professional athletes, professional coaches and other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports at their own expense while retaining their place of work (position) and average earnings during the specified medical examinations;

3) to carry out the registration of contracts on sports activities in a sports federation in the period, established by the sports federation;

4) to provide a professional athlete, professional coach and other specialist in the field of physical culture and sport with the necessary sports uniform, equipment, medical care and other means necessary for them to fulfill the obligations, stipulated in the contract on sports activity, including personal protection equipment for employees;

5) to provide the proper technical equipment of the venues of sports competitions and training camps that meet the requirements of occupational safety and health, and ensure the safety of a professional athlete and other specialist in the field of physical culture and sports;

6) in case of injury of a professional athlete during preparation for sports competitions or directly during participation in them, as well as in the presence of other circumstances stipulated by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan, to arrange a qualified medical assistance to a professional athlete, as well as ensure investigation and registration of such an accident;

7) during the period of temporary suspension of sports activities of a professional athlete, professional coach and other specialist in the field of physical culture and sports caused by sports injuries, to pay them at their own expense the full amount of payments, the amount of which is provided for in the contract on sports activities;

8) to fight against the use of doping in sport and other unhealthy means and (or) methods in preparation for sports competitions and directly during participation in them;

9) to organize the promotion and popularization of sports among the population;

10) to carry out compulsory social and medical insurance of a professional athlete, professional coach and other specialist in the field of physical culture and sports in the manner, established by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

11) to teach a professional athlete, professional coach and other specialist in the field of physical culture and sports to safe methods and techniques for labor protection and provision of first aid in case of accidents, to give instructions on labor protection, on-the-job training and to test knowledge of labor protection requirements, safe methods and techniques for performing work;

12) to train sports reserve among young people, to establish children's sports schools, to train coaches and judges in the main type of sport;

13) to perform other duties in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and constituent documents.

## **Chapter 7. REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS IN THE FIELD OF PHYSICAL CULTURE AND SPORTS**

### **Article 31. Presidential tests of physical fitness of the population of the Republic of Kazakhstan**

**Footnote.** The heading as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall take effect upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

1. The presidential physical fitness tests for the population of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall include types of physical exercises that reflect strength, endurance, speed and agility comprising levels depending on the age of natural persons.

2. Individuals who have no contraindications to physical education and sports shall participate in the presidential physical fitness tests for the population of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

3. The management and control of the implementation of the presidential physical fitness tests for the population of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be exercised by the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport and local executive bodies.

4. The organisation of work on conducting presidential physical fitness tests for the population of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be entrusted to the heads of general education schools, technical and vocational, post-secondary education institutions, higher education institutions and labour collectives.

**Footnote.** Article 31 is in the wording of the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 11.07.2017 № 91-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (shall be enforced upon expiration of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be enacted upon expiration of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

### **Article 32. Athlete registration certificate**

1. An athlete registration certificate shall be a document confirming his registration in a sports federation.

2. The athlete registration certificate shall include:

- 1) surname, name, patronymic (if any);
- 2) gender;
- 3) date of birth;
- 4) registration number;
- 5) the date of assignment of the registration number;
- 6) the name of the sports federation that carried out the registration;



- 7) type of sport;
- 8) information on the assignment of sports titles and sports categories;
- 9) information on passing medical examinations;
- 10) the results achieved in sports competitions;
- 11) information about disqualification;
- 12) information on cases of the use of doping;
- 13) information on state awards and other forms of encouragement;
- 14) surname, name, patronymic (if any) of the coach;
- 15) other information related to the specifics of the chosen types of sports;
- 16) photography.

3. The procedure for issuing and replacing an athlete registration certificate, submitting information to the sports federations about the athlete registration, and the form of the athlete registration certificate shall be approved by the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports.

### **Article 33 Classification of athletes with disabilities, training of classifiers and sports judges in Paralympic, Deaflympics, and Special Olympic types of sport**

**Footnote. The heading is in the wording of the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

1. In order to create equal competitive conditions at sports competitions in Paralympic sports, the organizers shall be obliged to ensure that athletes with disabilities declared to participate in the relevant competitions are classified according to the level of their functional capabilities, including covering the costs of classifiers.

2. The procedure and conditions for the classification of athletes with disabilities shall be developed by accredited sports federations for Paralympic sports in agreement with the National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan in accordance with the requirements of the International Paralympic Committee and relevant international sports organizations for Paralympic sports.

3. The classification is performed by a classifier having an appropriate document issued by the National Paralympic Committee of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

3-1. When classifying athletes with disabilities, the organizers shall involve classifiers from the Republic of Kazakhstan or foreign countries.

4. Preparation of classifiers and sports judges in Paralympic sports shall be carried out by accredited sports federations in Paralympic sports with the participation of international experts upon the recommendation of the International Paralympic Committee or international sports organizations in Paralympic sports.

5. The training of referees for deaflympic and special Olympic sports is carried out by republican public associations for deaflympic and special Olympic sports in accordance with the plans of training seminars for the training of referees with the participation of

international experts on the proposal of the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf and the International Special Olympic Committee.

Footnote. Article 33 is in the wording of the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 11.05.2017 № 65-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

**Article 34. Recognition of types of sports and sports disciplines. Register of types of sports**

1. Recognition of types of sports and sports disciplines in the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be carried out by an authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports by entering into the register of types of sports.

2. Sporting events on the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be carried out by types of sports and sports disciplines included in the register of types of sports.

**Article 35. The Unified Sports Classification. Sports titles, classes of athletes and sports title of a coach. The degrees of military personnel and qualification categories of coaches, coaches-instructors, methodologists, instructors-athletes, referees**

Footnote. The heading of Article 35 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication).

1. The Unified Sports Classification contains such sports titles, classes for athletes and sports titles for coaches as:

1) sports titles:

"Honored master of sports of the Republic of Kazakhstan";

"master of sports of international class of the Republic of Kazakhstan";

"master of sports of the Republic of Kazakhstan";

"Honored coach of the Republic of Kazakhstan";

2) sports categories:

"Candidate for master of sports of the Republic of Kazakhstan";

sportsman of 1 category;

sportsman of 2 category;

sportsman of 3 category;

sportsman of 1 youth category;

sportsman of 2 youth category;

sportsman of 3 youth category.

2. Military personnel are awarded the following degrees:

1) "Uzdik";

2) "Sportshy zhauynger" of the 1st degree;

3) "Sportshy zhauynger" of the 2nd degree.

3. The norms and requirements for conferring sports classes, qualification categories and degrees in military-applied sports are established by the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Kazakhstan and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan, in service-applied sports - by law enforcement bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. Coaches, coaches-instructors, methodologists, instructors-athletes and referees are awarded the following qualification categories:

1) coaches, coaches-instructors:

top-level qualification coach of the top category, top-level qualification coach-instructor of the top category;

top-level qualification coach of the first category, top-level qualification coach-instructor of the first category;

top-level qualification coach of the second category, top-level qualification coach-instructor of the second category;

mid-level qualification coach of the top category, mid-level qualification coach-instructor of the top category;

mid-level qualification coach of the first category, mid-level qualification coach-instructor of the first category;

mid-level qualification coach of the second category, mid-level qualification coach-instructor of the second category;

2) methodologists:

methodologist of the highest qualification level of the highest category;

methodologist of the highest qualification level of the first category;

methodologist of the highest qualification level of the second category;

methodologist of the average qualification level of the highest category;

methodologist of the average qualification of the first category;

methodologist of the average qualification level of the second category;

3) instructors-athletes:

instructor-athlete of the highest qualification level of the highest category;

instructor-athlete of the highest qualification level of the first category;

instructor-athlete of the highest qualification level of the second category;

4) sports judges:

national sports judge of the highest category;

national sports judge;

sports judge of the first category;

sports judge.

**Footnote. Article 35 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication).**

**Article 35-1. Deprivation of a sports title, class and qualification category**

The deprivation of a sports title, class and qualification category takes place if any of the below indicated facts is established:

- 1) provision of inaccurate or deliberately distorted information in the documents, which were the grounds for conferring a sports title, class and qualification category;
- 2) violation of anti-doping rules.

**Footnote.** Chapter 7 is supplemented with Article 35-1 in accordance with Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication).

#### **Article 36. Unified calendar of sports events**

The unified calendar of sports events shall be divided into republican and regional one, and, depending on its level, shall determine the list of annual sporting events of the international, republican and local levels, as well as the preparations for sporting events.

Sports events shall be included in the unified republican and regional calendars of mass sporting events as per the list of types of competitions, training camps and their classifications, approved by the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sports.

**Footnote.** Article 36 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into effect upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

#### **Article 37. Rules for the type of sport**

1. For each specific sport, national accredited sports federations shall develop and approve the rules for that sport considering the requirements of international sports organisations (if any).

2. The Rules for military-applied and service-applied types of sports shall be developed and approved by the Defense Ministry of the Republic of Kazakhstan, law enforcement and special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Footnote.** Article 37 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall enter into force upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

#### **Article 38. Rules for organizing and conducting sports and sporting events**

**Footnote.** The title of Article 38 is in the wording of the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 22.01.2016 № 446-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

1. Republican sports competitions shall be held by decision of the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sports and in agreement with national accredited sports federations for each sport as per the unified republican calendar of mass sporting events.

2. International sports competitions in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be held by the decision of international sports organizations and the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports. These competitions shall be included in the unified republican calendar of sporting events.

3. Regional, city and district sports competitions shall be held by the decision of the local executive bodies and in coordination with the relevant local accredited sports federations in accordance with the unified regional calendars of sporting events.

4. Sports competitions shall be held by the types of sports, included in the register of the types of sports on the basis of the provision (regulation) on the competition.

5. International sporting competitions shall be held pursuant to the provisions (regulations) on sporting competitions, which are developed by nationally accredited sports federations and approved by the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport.

6. Republican sports competitions are held in accordance with the rules (regulations) for sports competitions, which are approved by the authorized body for physical culture and sports.

7. Provisions (regulations) of regional, city and district sports competitions shall be developed by local accredited sports federations and shall be approved by the local executive body.

8. The procedure for holding sports events, including training camps, the list of types of sports events and their classification shall be determined by the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports.

9. The athletes who have undergone compulsory medical examination shall have the right to participate in the training process and sports events.

10. Accredited sports federations and head coaches shall be obliged to ensure that sports event organisers observe the rules for using the state symbols of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and that athletes are familiar with the music and lyrics of the national anthem of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

11. Organizers of sports and mass sports events, no later than ten calendar days before the day of the event, shall be obliged to inform local executive bodies about the expected number of spectators, for one calendar day - about the number of tickets sold, passes issued, including for vehicles, as well as parking places for special equipment of internal affairs and health authorities, vehicles of persons with disabilities.

12. Instruction on ensuring the safety of sports and sporting events, entertainment cultural events shall be approved by a joint order of the internal affairs bodies and the authorized body in the field of culture, physical culture and sports.

13. In order to organize and conduct sports and sporting events, the local executive bodies shall establish the organizational committees that coordinate the activities of organizations, involved in preparation and holding of these events.

14. Organizers of sports and sporting events shall be obliged:

1) to create conditions for the security of individuals, the safety of places for sports and sporting events, including their property, and to assist the internal affairs bodies in ensuring public order;

2) to ensure the restoration of the territory, bordering the venues of sports and sporting events in case of its violation;

3) to place the rules of conduct of the audience in the venues of sports and mass events.

15. The harm caused to individuals and legal entities during sports and sporting events shall be reimbursed in accordance with the civil legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Footnote. Article 38 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 22.01.2016 № 446-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 280-VI as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall take effect upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

**Article 39. Compliance with safety rules, protection of health of individuals during the physical education and sports, sports competitions and sports events**

1. Specialists in the field of physical culture and sports during the conduct of physical education classes and sports shall ensure the compliance with the safety rules, developed and approved by the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports.

2. The administration of organizations of physical and recreational and sports facilities shall provide the venues of trainings and sports competitions with sports gear and equipment in accordance with safety regulations, health regulations and hygienic standards and shall be responsible for damage caused to the health of individuals in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2-1. The operation and installation of sports equipment intended for mass sports is carried out in accordance with the requirements of national standards.

3. Sports facilities intended for conducting classes and sports competitions must comply with technical, sanitary rules and hygienic standards, rules for the operation of sports facilities and fire safety, and be accessible to persons with disabilities.

4. Specialists in the field of physical culture and sports shall be responsible for the harm caused to the health of individuals engaged in physical culture and sports, in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

5. Responsibility for harm caused to the health of an athlete, coach or sports judge during sports activities in an organized form shall be established on the basis of the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the terms of the contract concluded by an athlete, coach or sports judge with a sports organization.

6. In case of detection of violations of the rules for the operation of sports facilities, places for sports and mass events and fire safety, complicating the security of individuals and participants, including in terms of dilapidation of bearing structures of the stands, placement of fuel substances and materials in the premises under the stands, the absence of emergency lighting and evacuation routes, the absence or malfunction of fire protection equipment, as well as violations of the rules for the installation and operation of electric equipment that may



cause a fire, sanitary and epidemiological requirements, safety conditions for participants and spectators in the venues of sports and sporting events, the local executive authorities, upon the recommendation of the internal affairs bodies or the state body in the field of sanitary and epidemiological welfare of the population, shall prohibit such events until the identified violations of security conditions are eliminated.

7. is excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 22.01.2016 № 446-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

Footnote. Article 39 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 22.01.2016 № 446-V (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 30.12.2020 № 397-VI (shall be enforced six months after the day of its first official publication); dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

## **Chapter 8. PERSONNEL, SCIENTIFIC, MEDICAL SECURITY AND DOPING CONTROL IN THE FIELD OF PHYSICAL CULTURE AND SPORT**

### **Article 40. Training of specialists in the field of physical culture and sports**

1. Training of specialists in the field of physical culture and sports shall be carried out in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on education.

2. The state shall assist in strengthening the material and technical base in educational institutions, including a set of physical and recreational and sports facilities for training purposes, a standard set of equipment, specialized sports facilities and equipment for training specialists in the field of physical culture and sports of various profiles.

3. Training of persons in specialized sports schools and at the departments of physical education shall be carried out at the expense of budget funds, funds of organizations, voluntary contributions, charitable foundations and individuals.

4. Persons with technical and professional physical culture or higher physical culture education are allowed to be coaches, coaches-instructors in the field of physical culture and sports.

Persons with the sports titles “Master of Sport of the Republic of Kazakhstan” or “International Master of Sport of the Republic of Kazakhstan” or “Merited Master of Sport of the Republic of Kazakhstan” with technical and professional or higher education are allowed to be coaches, coaches-instructors in the field of physical culture and sports after completing advanced training courses for coaches arranged by the authorized body for physical culture and sports.

5. Persons who have undergone special training in physical education and sports organizations and certified as sports judges in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be allowed to referee sports competitions and sports events.



6. Training and advanced training of specialists in sports medicine and adaptive physical culture and sports are carried out through educational programs of organizations of technical and vocational, post-secondary and higher and (or) postgraduate education.

Footnote. Article 40 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (shall be enforced upon expiration of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

#### **Article 41. Attestation of coaches, sports judges**

1. Certification of coaches for types of sports shall be a procedure for recognition and confirmation of proper qualification and knowledge of coaches in the field of the corresponding type of sport, including knowledge of safety regulations, in order to confirm the right of coaches to train the athletes.

2. Certification of sports judges shall be a procedure for recognizing and confirming the proper qualification and knowledge of sports judges in the field of the relevant type of sport in order to confirm the right to referee the sports events.

3. Excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (shall be enforced upon expiration of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

4. is excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 11.05.2017 № 65-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

5. Following the results of certification of coaches and sports judges, they shall receive a certificate for a period of four years.

Footnote. Article 41 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 11.05.2017 № 65-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 30.12.2020 № 395-VI (shall be enforced upon expiration of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

#### **Article 42. Scientific-methodical and scientific-technical support of development of physical culture and sports**

1. Fundamental, search, development, technological, applied and other research projects in the field of physical culture and sports shall be carried out by scientific centers, research institutes, laboratories, educational institutions in the field of physical culture and sports, established in the prescribed manner and operating in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. The competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport shall coordinate the activities of comprehensive research groups and temporary research teams attached to the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports or in subordinate organisations

3. Local executive bodies shall coordinate the activities of regional scientific and methodological associations, integrated scientific groups.

Footnote. Article 42 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into force upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

**Article 43. Medical support in the field of physical culture and sports**

1. Medical support for people engaged in physical culture and sports shall include:
  - 1) systematic monitoring of their health;
  - 2) an assessment of the adequacy of physical activity for their health;
  - 3) prevention and treatment of diseases, injuries, medical rehabilitation, fortification and provision of medicines in accordance with the regulations;
  - 4) restoration of health by means and methods used in physical culture and sports;
  - 5) decision on the admission of an athlete to the training process and competitions;
  - 6) improvement of the athlete's physical and functional qualities and sports results;
  - 7) sports hygiene;
  - 8) offering first aid in the course of training and competitions;
  - 9) psychological preparation of athletes.
2. Medical support for athletes, organization of medical care during sports events, the procedure for creating sports medicine organizations shall be carried out in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of health care.

Footnote. Article 43 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be enacted upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

**Article 43-1. National Organisation for Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation**

The National Organisation for Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation is being established as a state-owned enterprise with the aim of providing specialised medical care to athletes, as well as introducing and disseminating modern technologies in the field of sports medicine and rehabilitation.

The National Organisation for Sports Medicine and Rehabilitation shall:

- 1) render medical support for sporting events held in the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- 2) provide athletes of national and state national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports with sports doctors, massage therapists and other specialists in the field of sports medicine and rehabilitation during their participation in sporting events;
- 3) conduct healthcare examinations and comprehensive functional testing of athletes, including athletes from national and state national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports;
- 4) admit athletes to participate in high-performance sports;
- 5) train and organise advanced training for experts in the field of sports medicine and rehabilitation, therapeutic physical culture;
- 6) offer consultations, diagnostics, treatment, rehabilitation and recovery for athletes;

7) provide medicines, biologically active supplements and pharmacological agents to athletes of the national and state national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports;

8) develop, implement and improve methods of diagnosis and treatment, first aid and rehabilitation that contribute to increased efficiency, physical fitness and rapid recovery of athletes;

9) organise comprehensive scientific groups to analyse the physical fitness of athletes from national and state national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan by sport, as well as to monitor their activities;

10) organise treatment and medical care for athletes who have suffered sports injuries and illnesses;

11) perform other functions hereunder.

**Footnote. Chapter 8 has been supplemented by Article 43-1 under Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan; № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall enter into force upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

#### **Article 44. Countering the use of doping in sport, doping substances and (or) methods in sports**

1. Prevention of doping in sports and the fight against it shall be carried out in accordance with the anti-doping rules of the Republic of Kazakhstan and international anti-doping organizations.

2. Anti-doping rule violations include:

1) presence of a prohibited substance or its metabolites or markers in a sample of an athlete (an animal participating in a sports competition);

2) the use of or attempt to use doping;

3) refusal to appear for the sample collection or a failure to appear for the sample collection without good reason after receiving notification in accordance with anti-doping rules, or otherwise evading the sample collection;

4) violation of the requirements regarding the accessibility of an athlete for out-of-competition testing, including failure to file required whereabouts information and to appear for testing, which is scheduled on the basis of reasonable rules;

5) falsification or attempt to falsify in any stage of doping control;

6) possession of doping;

7) distribution of doping;

8) the administration of or attempt to administer a prohibited substance to any athlete (animal participating in a sporting event) or the use of or attempt to use a prohibited method to him/her/it, or assistance, encouragement, aiding, incitement, concealment or complicity in any other form, connected with violation of or any attempt to violate the anti-doping rule.

2-1. The implementation of the actions specified in subparagraphs 1), 2), 6) and 8) of paragraph 2 of this article is not an anti-doping rule violation given a permit for therapeutic

use of doping issued in accordance with the international standard for the therapeutic use of prohibited substances and methods of the World Anti-Doping Agency, or the circumstances provided for by the specified international standard that allow to issue such a permit after the performance of actions specified in subparagraphs 1), 2), 6) and 8) of paragraph 2 of this article.

3. The violation of anti-doping rules by athletes, as well as coaches, specialists in sports medicine, other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports in respect of athletes, the use of doping with respect to animals participating in a sporting competition shall not be allowed.

The fact of using the doping by an athlete, as well as an animal participating in a sporting event, shall be confirmed by the results of research conducted in laboratories accredited by the World Anti-Doping Agency.

4. Doping control shall be a process that includes planning of tests, taking of samples, their storage, transportation, laboratory testing of samples, post-test procedures, and the relevant hearings and appeals.

5. The doping control procedure (testing) is carried out during the competition and out-of-competition periods. The competition period means the period of participation of an athlete and (or) an animal in a specific sporting event, unless otherwise provided for by the rules of the international sports federation of the relevant sport or another international anti-doping organization or the National Anti-Doping Organization. The time not included in the competition period is the out-of-competition period.

6. Measures to counteract the use of doping shall include:

- 1) conducting doping control;
- 2) establishing the responsibility of athletes, coaches, and other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports for violating anti-doping rules;
- 3) prevention of doping;
- 4) professional development of specialists conducting doping control;
- 5) anti-doping propaganda in the media;
- 6) conduct of research aimed at preventing doping in sport and combating it;
- 7) conduct of research on the development of tools and methods for restoring the performance of athletes;
- 8) establishing responsibility for the falsification of medicines and food additives through the inclusion of prohibited substances in their composition, the sale of such medicines and food additives, as well as for activities aimed at disseminating information about the ways, methods of development, manufacturing, use of prohibited substances and the places of their acquisition;
- 9) determination of the responsibility of physical culture and sports organizations for violation of the conditions of doping control provided for by the anti-doping rules;

10) implementation of international cooperation in the field of doping prevention in sport and the fight against it.

7. Organizers of sports competitions shall be obliged to provide conditions for the conduct of mandatory doping control in compliance with the requirements and decisions of international sports organizations and the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Footnote. Article 44 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication).**

#### **Article 44-1. The National Anti-Doping Organization**

The National Anti-Doping Organization is a state-owned enterprise established to prevent and combat doping in sports, and to organize doping control.

The National Anti-Doping Organization:

- 1) participates in the development of anti-doping rules;
- 2) draws up a list of athletes and (or) animals subject to doping control and registers them in accordance with anti-doping rules;
- 3) file a list of athletes and/or animals subject to doping control to national accredited sports federations by sport;
- 4) conducts doping control in accordance with anti-doping rules;
- 5) enters information on athletes and animals participating in a sports competition into anti-doping databases;
- 6) issues a therapeutic use exemption permit;
- 7) conducts investigations and hearings concerning athletes, coaches, coaches-instructors, sports medicine specialists, other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports who are charged with anti-doping rule violation;
- 8) transfer data on possible anti-doping rule violations, decisions made, and circumstances relevant to bringing those responsible to justice to the national accredited sports federation for the sport, the international sports federation for the sport, the World Anti-Doping Agency, and the competent authority in the field of physical culture and sports;
- 9) carries out the measures provided for in subparagraphs 1), 4), 6), 7) and 10) of paragraph 6 of Article 44 of this Law;
- 10) performs other functions in accordance with this Law and anti-doping rules.

**Footnote. Chapter 8 is supplemented with Article 44-1 in accordance with Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be enacted upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

#### **Article 44-2. Sanctions for anti-doping rule violation**

1. The anti-doping rule violation entails:

- 1) disqualification of an athlete, coach, coach-instructor, sports medicine specialist, another specialist in the field of physical culture and sports.

The disqualification of an athlete, coach, coach-instructor, sports medicine specialist, another specialist in the field of physical culture and sports is carried out in accordance with international treaties ratified by the Republic of Kazakhstan;

2) cancellation of a sporting event result and deduction of qualification points or athlete points;

3) the liability of a coach, coach-instructor, sports medicine specialist, another specialist in the field of physical culture and sports;

4) the termination of payment of the monthly salary to athletes and coaches;

5) exclusion of athletes, coaches, and coach-instructors from the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan or teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan, teams of regions, cities of republican significance, and the capital by sport.

2. The cancellation of a sporting event result in case of the use of or attempt to use doping entails:

1) deprivation of a sports title, class, qualification category;

2) return of monetary incentives by athletes and their personal coaches, head coaches of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan or teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in sports, excluding first coaches who, at the time of receiving the monetary incentive, were not personal and/or head coaches;

3) the termination of payment of monthly allowance to athletes and coaches;

4) the termination of a rental agreement with a champion or prize-winner of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games.

**Footnote.** Chapter 8 is supplemented with Article 44-2 in accordance with Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be effected upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

## **Chapter 9. SYSTEM OF STATE SOCIAL GUARANTEES IN THE FIELD OF PHYSICAL CULTURE AND SPORTS**

### **Article 45. Social protection of athletes, coaches and members of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports**

**Footnote.** The title of Article 45 as reworded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 280-VI of 13.12.2019 (shall come into force upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall take force upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

1. Local executive bodies, sports federations, and physical culture and sports organisations shall pay monthly allowances to outstanding athletes – Olympic champions and medallists, world champions holding the titles of “Honoured Master of Sports of the USSR”,



“Honoured Master of Sports of the Republic of Kazakhstan”, “Master of Sports of the USSR of International Class”, “Master of Sports of International Class of the Republic of Kazakhstan”, who were or are the members of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports, their coaches holding the titles of “Honoured Coach of the Republic of Kazakhstan” or “Honoured Coach of the USSR”.

2. Local executive bodies, sports federations, and physical culture and sports organisations shall pay monthly stipends to athletes who are members of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports, as well as to their coaches.

3. The competent authority in the field of physical culture and sport shall make compensation payments to members of the national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports when they suffer sports injuries and disabilities at international competitions under the procedure established by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

4. The amounts of monetary incentives to champions and prize-winners of international sports competitions, coaches and members of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports shall be revised when awarding a higher sporting result based on a decision by the World Anti-Doping Agency, the International Olympic Committee, the International Paralympic Committee, the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf, the International Federation.

5. Cash incentives shall be paid to champions and prize-winners of international sports competitions, coaches and members of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in various sports at the exchange rate in effect on the day of the sports competition.

**Footnote.** Article 45 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall take force upon expiry of sixty calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

#### **Article 46. State social support for athletes and coaches**

1. The state shall provide social support to athletes and coaches in the form of life-long monthly material support (hereinafter - material support), which is the monthly payments.

2. Athletes who are the nationals of the Republic of Kazakhstan and have at least twenty years of work experience in the field of physical culture and sports in the Republic of Kazakhstan, who have won titles and medals at the Olympic, Paralympic, Deaflympic Games and/or world champions in Olympic sports shall be entitled to financial support.

3. Coaches who are nationals of the Republic of Kazakhstan and have at least twenty years of work experience in the field of physical culture and sports in the Republic of Kazakhstan, who have trained athletes who have won titles and medals at the Olympic, Paralympic, Deaflympic Games and/or world champions in Olympic sports shall be entitled to financial support.



Footnote. Article 46 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be effective sixty calendar days after the date of its first official publication)

**Article 47. Allocation of housing to champions and prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games and the procedure for its acquisition**

1. Athletes of the Republic of Kazakhstan who are champions or prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games are provided with dwelling from the municipal housing stock for free.

After ten years, athletes of the Republic of Kazakhstan, who are champions or prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games, become owners of the dwelling from the municipal housing stock they occupy at no charge in accordance with the rules for the provision of dwelling to champions and prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games and its use.

2. Individuals who won more than one medal at the same Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games receive the dwelling from the local executive body only once.

2-1. When a prize is awarded on the basis of the decision of the World Anti-Doping Agency, the International Olympic Committee, the International Paralympic Committee, the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf, a participant in the Olympic, Paralympic, Deaflympic Games is provided with dwelling from the municipal housing stock in accordance with paragraphs 1 and 4 of this article.

2-2. When a higher prize is awarded on the basis of the decision of the World Anti-Doping Agency, the International Olympic Committee, the International Paralympic Committee, the International Committee of Sports for the Deaf, the prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic, Deaflympic Games are provided with dwelling from the municipal housing stock in accordance with paragraph 4 of this article and in the manner determined by the authorized body for physical culture and sports.

3. Champions and prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games are provided with dwelling by local executive bodies in the cities of the Republic, depending on the place of residence and place of employment of an athlete.

4. The following conditions are established for champions and prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games:

1) a three-room apartment for a champion who won a gold medal at the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games;

2) a two-room apartment for a prize-winner who won a silver medal at the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games;

3) a one-room apartment for a prize-winner who won a bronze medal at the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games.

5. In the event of the death (loss of life) of an athlete of the Republic of Kazakhstan, who is a champion or prize-winner of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games, who was

provided with dwelling, the right to receive it in ownership free of charge shall pass to the heirs of the deceased (dead), regardless of the result of the doping test and the period specified in paragraph 1 of this article.

6. Champions and prize-winners of the Paralympic Games are provided with dwelling from the municipal housing stock, taking into account their desire, on the lower floors or in residential buildings with elevators, and champions and prize-winners of the Paralympic Games with lesions of the musculoskeletal system - on or lower the second floor.

Paralympic champions and prize-winners are given the right to choose a dwelling, taking into account the type of a building, the level of municipal improvement and other necessary living conditions.

7. The local executive body shall provide champions and prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games with a dwelling within six months of receipt of the official decision or protocol.

8. The provision of dwelling to champions or prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games is financed from local budgets within six months of receipt of the official decision or protocol.

9. These rules shall not apply to individuals who have won the titles of champions and prize-winners of the Olympic, Paralympic and Deaflympic Games prior to the enactment of this Law.

**Footnote. Article 47 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication).**

#### **Article 48. Preferential services in the field of physical culture**

The list of categories of citizens using physical culture and health services free of charge or on preferential terms, with the exception of persons with disabilities, as well as the amount of benefits shall be established by the authorized body in the field of physical culture and sports, decisions of the local executive body of the district, city of regional significance and administrations of sports organizations.

**Footnote. Article 48 - is in the wording of the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 27.06.2022 № 129-VII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).**

### **Chapter 10. FINANCIAL AND INFRASTRUCTURAL SUPPORT OF PHYSICAL CULTURE AND SPORTS**

#### **Article 49. Sources of financing of physical culture and sports**

The physical culture and sports shall be financed at the expense of budget funds and other sources not prohibited by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

It shall be prohibited to finance from budget funds athletes who are not the nationals of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Financing athletes who are not the nationals of the Republic of Kazakhstan from quasi-public sector funds shall be prohibited.

Funding from budgetary resources shall be ensured in the following areas:

- 1) high-performance sport, including priority sports;
- 2) the functioning of state physical culture and sports organisations;
- 3) mass sport;
- 4) development of sports infrastructure.

**Footnote. Article 49 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be effective sixty calendar days after the date of its first official publication).**

**Article 49-1. Provision of goods (works, services) by state institutions in the field of physical culture and sports on a paid basis**

1. State institutions in the field of physical culture and sport shall have the right to sell goods (works, services) on a paid basis.

Paid goods (works, services) sold by state institutions in the field of physical culture and sport shall include:

1) services for rendering of special sports equipment, sports equipment, physical culture and health facilities and sports facilities for the population, the organisation and holding of events, including sports competitions, seminars, meetings, conferences among athletes, coaches, other experts in the field of physical culture and sports, and the adult population;

2) rendering services in the field of sports medicine;

3) organisation and conduct of events: sports competitions, seminars, meetings, conferences among athletes, coaches, other specialists in the field of physical culture and sports, and the adult population.

Revenues from the sale of goods (works, services) shall be used under the budgetary legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Footnote. Chapter 10 has been supplemented by Article 49-1 under Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15/04/2025 (shall be enacted sixty calendar days after the date of its first official publication).**

**Article 50. Charity and entrepreneurial activity in the field of physical culture and sports**

**Footnote. The heading of Article 50 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication).**

1. Benefactors of physical culture and sports organizations, teams or sporting events may be individuals and legal entities, except for organizations financed from budgetary funds. Relationships between benefactors and physical culture and sports organizations, teams, event organizers are established on a contractual basis. Sponsors financing sporting events get the right to have them conducted under their sign (emblem) or that of their products.

2. In accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan, individuals and legal entities may engage in business activities to render services to physical education and sports organizations and individuals, produce physical culture and sports and related products, use physical culture and sports in promotional activities.

**Footnote. Article 50 is as amended by Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication).**

#### **Article 50-1. The single operator**

1. The single operator is a non-profit organization in the form of a corporate fund, selected by the authorized body for physical culture and sports, carrying out activities on the allocation of off-budget funds aimed at the development of physical culture and sports.

2. The single operator allocates charitable aid:

1) in the form of social support for individuals involved in physical culture, athletes, collectives (sports teams);

2) in the form of sponsorship;

3) to physical culture and sports organizations, educational institutions carrying out activities in the field of physical culture and sports, scientific organizations carrying out research in the field of physical culture and sports, sports medicine organizations in order to maintain their statutory activities.

3. The main priorities for the provision of charitable assistance by the single operator are as follows:

1) development of high-performance sport;

2) support and promotion of high-performance sport, as well as physical culture and sport;

3) promotion of physical culture, all kinds of sports, taking into account social and educational functions, as well as the specifics of their structure, based on the principle of voluntary activity;

4) provision of assistance in the social sphere, including for the development of sports infrastructure;

5) organizational and practical measures related to the activities of the single operator;

6) implementation of image-building projects in the field of physical culture and sports.

4. The criteria for selecting the single operator are as follows:

1) the applicant's registration as a legal entity;

2) absence of tax arrears, arrears in mandatory pension contributions, social contributions and deductions and (or) compulsory social health insurance contributions;

3) presence of at least eight years of experience in the distribution of funds aimed at the development of physical culture and sports, including the distribution of funds allocated as part of the provision of sponsorship and (or) charitable assistance;

4) a legal entity shall not be subject to bankruptcy or liquidation procedures, financial and economic activities shall not be suspended in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan at the time of selecting the single operator;

5) the residency of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

5. The sources of formation of the assets of the single operator are as follows:

1) contributions from founders (participants, members);

2) voluntary material contributions and donations;

3) dividends (income, remuneration (interest) received on shares, bonds, other securities and deposits;

4) other receipts not prohibited by the law of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

6. The single operator distributes off-budget funds aimed at the development of physical culture and sports, based on the principles of:

1) compliance with the benefactor's will regarding the distribution of charitable assistance among recipients;

2) effectiveness of measures to provide charitable assistance;

3) ensuring targeted spending of funds allocated as part of charitable assistance;

4) positive impact of charitable assistance.

7. On a quarterly, biannual and annual basis, recipients of charitable assistance submit to the single operator reports on the targeted use of off-budget funds, which are approved by the supreme governing body or collegial body of the single operator.

8. The single operator, within the time frame established by the benefactor, provides him/her/it with information on the use of charitable assistance on the basis of the recipients' reports, which is approved by the benefactor.

**Footnote.** Chapter 10 is supplemented with Article 50-1 in accordance with Law № 280-VI of the Republic of Kazakhstan as of 13.12.2019 (shall be enforced ten calendar days after its first official publication); as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15/04/2025 (shall go into effect sixty calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

## **Article 51. Physical and recreational and sports facilities**

1. The material base of physical culture and sports shall include all types of physical and recreational and sports facilities, which belong to the objects of social infrastructure.

2. Sports facilities may be in state and (or) private property.

3. The need for physical culture, health and sports facilities in the territories, as well as the placement of physical culture, health and sports facilities, shall be determined by local executive bodies as per the state standards in the field of architecture, urban planning and construction.

4. It shall not be allowed to liquidate, change the target and functional purpose of physical and recreational, sports facilities owned by the state, without creating an equivalent physical and recreational, and sports facilities.

5. Persons that own sports facilities shall ensure the proper technical equipment of the venues of sports events in accordance with the requirements of technical regulations,

standards, norms, rules and requirements, established by the state control and supervision bodies and sanitary regulations.

**Footnote. Article 51 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall come into force sixty calendar days after the date of its first official publication).**

## **Article 52. Register of physical and recreational and sports facilities**

1. The register of physical and recreational and sports facilities shall be an information system designed for recording and storing information about physical and recreational and sports facilities.

2. Physical and recreational and sports facilities shall be subject to inclusion in the register

3. The register of physical and recreational and sports facilities shall contain the following mandatory information:

- 1) the full name of the physical and recreational or sports facility;
- 2) the address (location) of the physical and recreational or sports facility;
- 3) information about the owner, who has the physical and recreational or sports facility;
- 4) the date of commissioning, completion of reconstruction, overhaul;
- 5) the functional purpose of the physical and recreational or sports facility;
- 6) simultaneous capacity;
- 7) the area of the land plot where the physical and recreational or sports facility is located;
- 8) the presence or absence of areas for staff in the facilities;
- 9) the presence or absence of specially equipped premises for medical care and doping control;
- 10) the number of seats.

## **Chapter 11. INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITY IN THE FIELD OF PHYSICAL CULTURE AND SPORTS**

### **Article 53. International cooperation in the field of physical culture and sports**

1. International cooperation in the field of physical culture and sports shall be carried out in accordance with international treaties and the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

2. On the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, international physical culture and sports organizations, as well as branches and representative offices of international physical culture and sports organizations may be established. National physical culture and sports organizations shall have the right, in accordance with the procedure established by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan, to attract foreigners and stateless persons to their activities, as well as independently manage funds and other assets received from foreign states, international organizations, foreign organizations, foreigners and stateless persons.

### **Article 54. Organizers, doing the voluntary work in the field of physical culture and sports (sports volunteers)**



1. Trainers, instructors by types of sports and production gymnastics, sports judges, organizers of physical and recreational and sports work with the population (sports volunteers ) may engage in social activities in the field of physical culture and sports on a voluntary basis, undergo special training and certification in physical education and sports organizations

2. Persons referred to in paragraph 1 of this article who have not undergone appropriate training and certification, shall not be allowed to organize and conduct sports activities, refereeing of sports competitions and other independent sports activities.

**Article 55. The rights of foreigners and stateless persons staying on the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of physical culture and sports**

Foreigners and stateless persons residing in the territory of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall enjoy the rights to engage in physical culture and sports to the extent established hereunder, excluding the right to compete as members of national teams of the Republic of Kazakhstan in sports at international sporting events.

**Footnote. Article 55 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 183-VIII of 15.04.2025 (shall be effective sixty calendar days after the date of its first official publication)**

**Chapter 12. FINAL PROVISIONS**

**Article 56. State control in the field of physical culture and sports**

**Footnote. Article 56 is excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 24.05.2018 № 156-VI (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).**

**Article 57. Liability for violation of the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of physical culture and sports**

Violation of the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of physical culture and sports shall entail liability, established by the laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

**Article 58. Transitional provisions**

1. Sports federations within six months from the day of enactment of this Law shall bring their activities in line with the requirements of this Law.

2. Trainers and sports judges referred to in Article 41 of this Law shall be subject to certification within two years from the date this Law enters into force.

**Article 59. Procedure for enactment of this Law**

1. This Law shall enter into force upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication.

2. To recognize the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated December 2, 1999 "On physical culture and sport" invalid (Bulletin of the Parliament of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 1999, № 24, Art. 1065; 2003, № 15, Art. 129; 2004, № 23, Article 142; 2006, № 3, Article 22 ; № 13, Article 86; 2007, № 2, Article 18; № 10, Article 69; № 20, Art. 152; 2009, № 15-16,



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