

On state awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan

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I. General Provisions

Article 1. Citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan, in recognition of their services to the Republic and their fruitful state, social, creative and activities, labour feats and feats of arms, shall be awarded state awards.

State awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan may also be awarded to foreign citizens and stateless persons providing services to the Republic of Kazakhstan.

State awards are awarded by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 2. State awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be insignia of the highest degree of distinction - the order "Altyn Kyran", the title "Halyk Kakarmany", "Kazakhstannyn Enbek Eri", as well as other orders, medals, and honorary titles.

Footnote. Article 2 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 93-IV dated 01.12.2008 (see Art. 2 for the enactment procedure); dated 13.01.2025 № 157-VIII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 3. Names of state awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan are established in the state language.

Descriptions of state awards, samples of "Altyn Kyran", "Halyk Kaharmany" and "Kazakhstannyn Yenbek Ery" books, order books, certificates of medals and bestowal of honorary titles, the method of nomination for and bestowal of state awards, other documents, and rules, are approved by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 3 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 93-IV dated 01.12.2008 (see Art. 2 for the enactment procedure).

Article 4. Nominees for bestowal of the order "Altyn Kyran" are determined by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Nominations for bestowal of other state awards shall be brought before the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan by the Parliament, the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan, ministries, state committees, other central and local executive bodies, creative unions, and other organizations.

Nominees for awards may be considered and put forward by labour collectives.

Nominations for bestowal of awards on foreign citizens shall be made by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, other ministries and state committees, and other central executive bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan, on common grounds.

Nominations of citizens for the next award shall be made not less than five years from the previous awarding, except for awards to mothers with many children and special occasions connected to heroic feats and extreme circumstances.

Article 5. The same person shall not be awarded twice with marks of excellent distinction, or the same orders and medals, except for awards with levels.

Honorary titles shall not be reassigned.

Posthumous awarding of state honors of the Republic of Kazakhstan may be carried out for courage, bravery, and heroism demonstrated in defending the country's interests and in situations involving saving human lives.

Footnote. Article 5 is in the wording of Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated July 26, 1999; as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.01.2025 № 157-VIII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 6. Persons on whom any order of the Republic of Kazakhstan is bestowed shall be called knights of the order.

Article 7. For preliminary consideration and preparation of nominations for awards, the Commission for State Awards is created by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan. The composition of the Commission, and the regulations concerning its activities, are approved by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

II. Marks of excellent distinction

Article 8. The order of “Altyn Kyran” (Golden Eagle) is a mark of excellent distinction in the Republic of Kazakhstan.

The order of “Altyn Kyran” shall be awarded to citizens for outstanding state service to the Republic of Kazakhstan.

The order of “Altyn Kyran” may be awarded to citizens on whom one of the orders of the Republic of Kazakhstan or the Soviet Union has previously been bestowed.

Article 9. The President of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall become a knight of the order of “Altyn Kyran” by virtue of his position.

Article 10. The title “Halyk Kaharmany” (National Hero) is awarded for outstanding services to the Republic of Kazakhstan, and feats of arms in the name of its freedom and independence.

Individuals awarded the title “Halyk Kaharmany”, shall be awarded a special sign of distinction: the Gold Star and the Order of “Otan”.

The first President of the Republic of Kazakhstan - Elbasy, according to his status, has the title of “Halyk Kaharmany” (National Hero) given together with special distinctions - the Gold Star and the Order of “Otan”.

Footnote. Article 10 as amended by Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated July 26, 1999; № 307 dated 21.07.2007, (see Article 2 of the Law for the enactment procedure); № 525-IV dated 02.01.2012; № 91-VI dated 11.07.2017 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

Article 10-1. The title “Kazakstannyn Yenbek Ery” is awarded for the outstanding achievements in the economic, social and human development of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Individuals on whom the title “Kazakstannyn Yenbek Ery” is bestowed shall be awarded a special sign of distinction: the Gold Star and the Order of “Otan”.

Footnote. Section II is supplemented by Article 10-1 in accordance with Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 93-IV dated 01.12.2008 (see Article 2 for the enactment procedure).

III. Orders

Article 11. Orders of the Republic of Kazakhstan are:

- “Otan” (Fatherland)
- “Kazakhstan Respublikasynyn Tyngysh Prezidenti – Elbasy Nursultan Nazarbayev” (First President of the Republic of Kazakhstan - Elbasy Nursultan Nazarbayev);
- “Barys” (Snow Leopard)
- “Dank” (Glory)
- “Aibyn” (Valour)
- “Parassat” (Nobility)
- “Dostyk” (Friendship)
- “Kurmet” (Honour).
- El Birligi (National Unity).
- “Enbek Danky” (Labour Glory).

Footnote. Article 11 as amended by Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated 26.07.1999; №180 dated 03.05.2001; № 290-IV dated 14.06.2010 (see Article 2 for the enactment procedure); № 212-V dated 27.06.2014 (shall be enforced from 01.01.2015); № 293-V dated 17.03.2015 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); № 91-VI dated 11.07.2017 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); dated 04.07.2023 № 15-VIII (shall be enforced ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 12. The order of “Otan” is awarded to citizens for outstanding achievements in:

- public and social activities;
- development of economic, social spheres, science and culture;

- the public, law enforcement and military service, and development of democracy and social progress.

Footnote. Article 12 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 255 dated 22 May 2007, (shall be enforced from the day of its official publication).

Article 12-1. The Order of “Kazakhstan Respublikasynyn Tyngysh Prezidenti - Elbasy Nursultan Nazarbayev” is awarded to citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan for special merits in public and social activities contributing to the formation, prosperity and glory of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

The Order of “Kazakhstan Respublikasynyn Tyngysh Prezidenti - Elbasy Nursultan Nazarbayev” may be awarded to heads and leaders of foreign governments for special services to the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Law supplemented by Article 12-1 in accordance with Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 26.07.1999 № 462; in the wording of Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 03.05.2001 № 180; as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 14.06.2010 № 290-IV (see Article 2 for the enactment procedure).

Article 12-2. The order of “Barys” is awarded for special services in:

- strengthening the statehood and sovereignty of the Republic of Kazakhstan;
- guaranteeing the peace and consolidating the community and unity of the people of Kazakhstan;
- public, industrial, scientific, socio-cultural and social activities;
- strengthening cooperation between nations, rapprochement and mutual enrichment of national cultures, and friendly relations among states.

The order of “Barys” consists of three classes:

- “Barys” 1st degree;
- “Barys” 2nd degree;
- “Barys” 3rd degree.

The first degree is the highest degree of the order. Awarding shall be 3rd, 2nd and 1st degree in sequence.

In exceptional cases for special distinction, the award may be given without taking account of the sequence, by decision of Head of State.

Footnote. The Law is supplemented by Article 12-2 in accordance with Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 180 dated 3 May 2001.

Article 13. The Order of "Dank" shall be awarded to senior officers of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Kazakhstan, other troops and military formations, special state bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan, as well as senior officers of the prosecutor's office and internal affairs bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan:

- for achievements in command and control of troops and high combat readiness, and ensuring the defence capability of the country;

- for excellent organization of military, border and internal services ensuring national security, strengthening legality and protecting public order.

The Order of “Dunk” consists of two classes:

- “Dunk” 1st degree;
- “Dunk” 2nd degree.

The 1st degree is the highest degree of the order. Awarding shall be 2nd and 1st degree sequentially.

Footnote. Article 13 is in the wording of Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated 26 July, 1999, as amended by Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 473 dated 4 July 2003; № 255 22 May 2007 (shall be enforced from day of its official publication); № 547-IV dated 18.01.2012 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 553-IV dated 13.02.2012 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 13.01.2025 № 157-VIII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 14. The order “Aibyn” shall be awarded to servicemen of the Armed Forces, other troops and military formations, as well as employees of special state bodies, prosecutorial bodies, and internal affairs bodies of the Republic of Kazakhstan:

- for achievements in combat training, ensuring high levels of combat readiness and developing of new military equipment, and ensuring legality and public order;
- for bravery and selflessness in the fulfilment of military and service duties, and for deeds , committed in protecting the interests of the state.

The Order of “Aibyn” consists of three classes:

- "Aibyn" of Ist degree named after Sagadat Nurmagambetov;
- "Aibyn" of IInd degree named after Bauyrzhan Momyshuly;
- "Aibyn" of IIIrd degree named after Rakhimzhan Koshkarbayev.

The Orders "Aibyn" of Ist degree named after Sagadat Nurmagambetov and IInd degree named after Bauyrzhan Momyshuly are awarded to junior and senior officers.

The highest degree of the order is the Ist degree. The awarding is carried out sequentially: IInd degree and 1st degree.

The Order "Aibyn" of IIIrd degree named after Rakhimzhan Koshkarbayev is awarded to soldiers, sailors, sergeants, and petty officers.

Footnote. Article 14 is in the wording of Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated 26 July 1999; as amended by Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 473 dated 4 July 2003; № 255 dated 22 May 2007 (shall be enforced from day of its official publication); № 547-IV dated 18.01.2012 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 553-IV dated 13.02.2012 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); dated 26.04.2024 № 78-VIII (comes into force on the day of its first official publication); dated 13.01.2025 № 157-VIII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 15. The Order of “Parassat” is awarded to scientists, artists, writers, people of art, statesmen and public figures, and citizens who have made a great contribution to developing and increasing the spiritual and intellectual potential of the Republic, or for activity in protection of human rights and social interests.

Article 16. The Order of “Dostyk” is awarded to citizens for fruitful activity in the maintenance of mutual agreement within society, and contribution to strengthening peace, friendship and cooperation between nations.

The Order of “Dostyk” consists of two classes:

- “Dostyk” 1st degree;
- “Dostyk” 2nd degree.

Awards can be issued without taking account of sequence.

Footnote. Article 16 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462.dated 26 July 1999.

Article 16-1. The El Birligi Order is awarded to citizens for fruitful work for strengthening of the unity of the nation and ensuring social harmony.

Footnote. The Law is supplemented by Article 16-1 pursuant to the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 04.07.2023 № 15-VIII (shall be enforced ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 17. The Order of “Kurmet” is awarded to citizens for achievements in the development of the economy, social sphere, science and culture and education, and for exemplary service in state bodies and public activities.

Article 17-1. The "Еңбек Даңқы" Award is given to workers in industry, transport, construction, agriculture, education, healthcare, social security and other industries for fruitful work at enterprises, institutions, organizations, as well as for high performance in the relevant industries.

The Order of “Enbek Danky” has three degrees:

- I degree “Enbek Danky”;
- II degree “Enbek Danky”;
- III degree “Enbek Danky”.

I degree is the highest degree of the Order. Awarding is carried out sequentially: III degree, II degree and I degree.

The status of holders of the Order of “Enbek Danky” of three degrees is equal to that of persons awarded the title “Kazakhstanyn Enbek Eri”.

Footnote. Chapter III is supplemented by Article 17-1 in accordance with Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 212-V dated 27.06.2014 (shall be enforced from 01.01.2015); in the new wording of Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 293-V dated 17.03.2015 (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 November 9, 2020 № 373-VI (shall be enforced ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

IV. Medals

Article 18. Medals of the Republic of Kazakhstan are:

- “Erlegi ushin” (for courage)
- “Zhaulyngerlik erlegi ushin” (for military valour)
- “Eren enbegi ushin” (for distinguished labour)
- “Shapagat” (Mercy).

Article 19. The “Erlegi ushin” is awarded to citizens for bravery and selflessness:

- in extreme situations connected with the preservation of human lives (on water, in fire, during natural disasters);
- in the fight against crime.

Article 20. The “Zhaulyngerlik erligi ushin” medal is awarded to servicemen of the Armed Forces, other troops and military formations of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and also officials of special state bodies, prosecutor’s offices, national security, internal affairs authorities of the Republic of Kazakhstan:

- for skilful, initiative and courageous actions in battle contributing to the successful fulfilment of a combat missions by a military unit or subunit and in the fight against crime;
- for courage in the defence of the state border;
- for merit during military service.

Footnote. Article 20 as amended by Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated 26 July 1999; № 338 dated 10 July 2002; № 473 dated 4 July 2003; № 547-IV dated 18.01.2012 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication); № 553-IV dated 13.02.2012 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

Article 21. The “Eren enbegi ushin” medal is awarded to citizens for labour achievements in economic and social spheres, science, culture and public service.

Article 22. The “Shapagat” medal is awarded to citizens for active and fruitful activity, mercy and charity.

Footnote. Article 22 in the new wording of Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 403-V dated 16.11.2015 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

Article 23. The sequence of orders and medals of the Republic of Kazakhstan, in order of importance, is established in the manner set out in this Law.

Footnote. Article 23 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462.dated 26 July 1999

V. Honorary titles

Article 24. The following honorary titles shall be established in the Republic of Kazakhstan:

“Kazakstannyn enbek sinirgen kairatkeri” (Honoured Figure of Kazakhstan);
“Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen ustazy”-Honored teacher of Kazakhstan;
“Kazakstannyn enbek sinirgen dārigery”- Honored doctor of Kazakhstan
“Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen gylym zhane tehnika kairatkery”- Honored worker of science and technology of Kazakhstan;
“Kazakstannyn enbek sinirgen inzheneri”-Honored engineer of Kazakhstan
“Kazakstannyn enbek sinirgen kurylysshysy”-Honored builder of Kazakhstan;
“Kazakstannyn enbek sinirgen onerkesip kairatkeri” Honored Industrialist of Kazakhstan;
“Kazakstannyn enbek sinirgen kenshisy” - Honored miner of Kazakhstan;
“Kazakstannyn enbek sinirgen geology”- Honored geologist of Kazakhstan;
“Kazakstannyn garyshker ushkyshy”- Pilot-cosmonaut of Kazakhstan;
“Kazakstannyn kolik salasynyn enbek sinirgen kairatkeri”- Honored worker of the transport industry of Kazakhstan;
“Kazakstannyn agrarlyk salasynyn enbek sinirgen kairatkeri”- Honored worker of agriculture of Kazakhstan;
“Kazakstannyn su sharuashylygy salasynyn enbek sinirgen kairatkeri”- Honored worker of water management industry of Kazakhstan;
“Kazakstannyn halyk artisty”-People’s artist of Kazakhstan”;
“Kazakstannyn halyk zhazushysy”-People’s writer of Kazakhstan

Individuals awarded the honorary title “Kazakstannyn garyshker-ushkishy” are entitled to special state benefits as established by Kazakh legislation.

Teachers awarded the honorary title "Kazakhstannyn Enbek Sinirgen Ustazy" receive a lump sum payment in the amount established by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On the Status of a Teacher".

Medical professionals awarded the honorary title “Kazakstannyn Enbek Sinirgen Ustazy” shall receive a lump sum payment in the amount established by the Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan “On Public Health and Health Care System”.

Footnote. Article 24 is in the wording of Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 211-IV dated 02.12.2009 (shall be enforced from 01.01.2010); as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated December 27, 2019 № 294-VI (shall be enforced ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); dated 30.12.2022 № 177-VII (shall be enforced ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication); dated 16.10.2023 № 33-VIII (shall be enforced from the date of its first official publication); dated 19.04.2024 № 74-VIII (effective ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication); dated 30.12.2024 № 148-VIII (effective ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 25. Honorary titles of the Republic of Kazakhstan shall be awarded to:

– “Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen kairatkeri” – prominent state and public figures, representatives of science, culture, art, production and social sphere for outstanding services to the Republic of Kazakhstan;

– “Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen ustazy” – teachers for outstanding achievements and special services to the Republic of Kazakhstan

– “Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen dārigery” – to medical professionals for outstanding achievements and special services to the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of healthcare;

– “Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen gylym zhane tehnika kairatkery” – to scientists for outstanding achievements in the field of science and technology, who have an academic degree of Doctor of Science, Candidate of Science, Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Doctor of Science in the profile, who have previously been awarded the state award of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

“Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen inzheneri”- employees and workers who have worked in the field of energy, communications, design and made a significant contribution to the development of technologies, previously awarded the state award of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

“Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen kurylysshysy”- employees and workers who have worked in the field of construction, architecture and design, who have made a significant contribution to the development and improvement of construction equipment, and who have previously been awarded the state award of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

“Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen onerkesip kairatkeri”- employees and workers who have made a significant contribution to the development of industry, metallurgy, technology, automation and other sectors of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and who have previously been awarded the state award of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

“Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen kenshisy”- to employees and workers who have made a significant contribution to the development of the mining industry and mine construction, to research and improvement of new equipment and technologies, as well as for the initiative and courage shown in the elimination of accidents and prevention of accidents at the enterprise, to miners who have previously been awarded the state award of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

“Kazakhstannyn enbek sinirgen geology”- to employees and workers who have made a significant contribution to the development of geological, geophysical, hydro-geological, topographic and geodetic services and geological research organizations, for the introduction of advanced technologies and exploration of mineral resources into geological exploration production, for creation of mineral resource base, geological exploration, and who have previously been awarded the state award of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

“Kazakhstannyn garyshker ushkyshy”- citizens who have successfully completed the assigned space flight program and have exemplarily fulfilled the scientific-technological, research and practical tasks assigned to them;

“Kazakstannyn kolik salasynyn enbek sinirgen kairatkeri”- employees and workers of railway, air, water, automobile, pipeline and other types of transport who have worked in the transport sector, as well as for improving the quality of transportation and transport services, saving material and fuel resources, other employees who have made a significant contribution to ensuring safety and improving environmental protection, previously awarded the state award of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

“Kazakstannyn agrarlyk salasynyn enbek sinirgen kairatkeri”- employees and workers in agriculture, including livestock breeders, plant growers, farmers, agronomists, veterinarians, horticulturists and other workers in the agricultural sector, as well as employees of scientific and other organizations, including those providing services to agriculture, working in the field of agriculture, who have previously been awarded the state award of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

“Kazakstannyn su sharuashylygy salasynyn enbek sinirgen kairatkeri”- employees and workers who have made a significant contribution to the development of water management, hydro- engineers, land reclamation workers, who were previously awarded the state award of the Republic of Kazakhstan;

“Kazakstannyn halyk artisty”- persons who have made an outstanding contribution to the development of theatrical, circus, musical and cinematic arts of the Republic of Kazakhstan, who have previously been awarded the honorary title of "Honored Artist of Kazakhstan" and (or) "Honored Worker of Kazakhstan";

“Kazakstannyn halyk zhazushysy”- persons who have made a special contribution to the development of literature of the Republic of Kazakhstan, who have previously been awarded the honorary title of “Kazakstannyn enbek sinirgen kairatkeri” (“Honored Worker of Kazakhstan”), and (or) laureates of state prizes of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the field of literature.

Footnote. Article 25 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 30.12.2024 № 148-VIII (effective ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 26. Individuals, awarded honorary titles of the Republic of Kazakhstan, shall also be awarded a lapel badge with the established pattern.

VI. Awards for mothers with many children

Article 27. Awards for mothers with many children are pendants:

- “Altyn Alka” (Golden pendant)
- “Kumiss Alka” (Silver pendant).

Article 28. The "Altyn Alka" pendant shall be awarded to mothers who are citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan and who have given birth to and raised seven or more children.

The “Altyn Alka” pendant is awarded when the seventh child reached one year of age and the remaining children of this mother are still living.

When the “Altyn Alka” pendant is awarded, account shall be taken of children:

- adopted by the mother as prescribed by law;
- dead or missing in the protection of the interests of the Republic of Kazakhstan or in the fulfilment of other service duties, who died in natural disasters or in fulfilment of a civic duty to save human life and material assets, or in the fight against crime and the protection of public order, or due to injury, maiming or disease arising in these circumstances, or because of accident at work or occupational sickness.

Footnote. Article 28 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 211-IV dated 02.12.2009 (shall be enforced from 01.01.2010); dated 13.01.2025 № 157-VIII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 29. The "Kumis Alka" pendant shall be awarded to mothers who are citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan and who have given birth to and raised six children, upon the sixth child reaching the age of one year and upon the presence of the remaining children of this mother.

When the “Kumiss Alka” pendant is awarded, the children referred to in the third part of Article 28 of this Law are also taken into account.

Footnote. Article 29 as amended by Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated 26.07.1999; № 211-IV dated 02.12.2009 (shall be enforced from 01.01.2010); dated 13.01.2025 № 157-VIII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 30. The “Altyn Alka” and “Kumiss Alka” pendants have the status of orders of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

VII. Certificate of Merit of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Footnote. Section VII is excluded by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.01.2025 № 157-VIII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication).

VIII. Procedure for wearing of orders, medals and other insignia

Article 32. Signs of excellent distinction – the order “Altyn Kyran” or Gold Star – are worn on the left side of the chest above orders and medals.

Signs of honorary titles are worn on the right side of the chest.

Article 33. Orders and medals of the Republic of Kazakhstan are worn on the left side of the chest in the sequence specified in Articles 11 and 18 of this Law.

When the sign of the order is worn on the shoulder belt it passes over the right shoulder. The star of this order is located on the left side of the chest to the left of orders.

The awarded persons may wear symbols of awards of the standard pattern instead of orders and medals.

Footnote. Article 33 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated 26 July 1999.

Article 33-1. In the presence of the person awarded the state awards of the former USSR and of other foreign states, the awards of the USSR and foreign states are worn after the awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the sequence specified in Articles 11 and 18 of this Law.

Footnote. Supplemented by Article 33-1 by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated 26 July 1999.

IX. Status of state awards and the persons awarded them

Article 34. Awarding to citizens of signs of excellent distinction, the order “Otan” or the order “Kazakhstan Respublikasynyn Tyngysh Prezidenti - Elbasy Nursultan Nazarbayev” is recorded in the Book of Glory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, instituted by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Rules for updating and storing the Book of Glory of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and its description, are approved by the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 34 as amended by Laws of the Republic of Kazakhstan №180 dated 03.05.2001; № 307 dated 21.07.2007 (see Article 2 for the enactment procedure); № 290-IV 14.06.2010 (see Article 2 for the enactment procedure); № 383-IV dated 10.01.2011 (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after its first official publication).

Article 35. (Is excluded by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 134 dated 19 June 1997).

Article 36. Mothers with many children, awarded with "Altyn alka", "Kumis alka" pendants or who previously received the title of "Mother Heroine", as well as those awarded with the Orders of "Maternal Glory" of the I and II degrees, are provided with housing primarily in accordance with the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan "On Housing Relations".

Mothers of many children who have been awarded the “Altyn Alka”, “Kumis Alka” pendants or who have previously received the title of “Mother Heroine”, as well as those awarded the “Maternal Glory” orders of the 1st and 2nd degrees, shall be paid a monthly state allowance on the basis and in the manner established by the Social code of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Article 36 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 28.10.2015 № 369-V (shall be enforced from 01.01.2018); as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated May 6, 2019 № 251-VI (shall be enforced ten calendar days after the day of its first official publication); dated 13.01.2025 № 157-VIII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 37. The benefits to mothers with many children awarded the pendant “Kumis Alka” may be established at the expense of local budgets.

Footnote. Article 37 is in the wording of Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated 26 July 1999.

Article 38. Individuals awarded the state awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan must ensure their safety.

In case of loss of state awards and relevant documents, the awarded persons shall retain their rights to the awards.

As a rule, duplicates of the order “Altyn Kyran”, Golden Star, orders, medals and badges of distinction are not provided to replace the lost one. As an exception, they may be issued by the decision of the Commission for State Awards with the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan only in cases of loss due to fire, earthquake and other natural disasters, when the awarded person was unable to prevent their loss.

Copies of award documents, in case of loss, are issued by the decision of the Commission for State Awards at the request of local executive bodies.

Article 39. Orders, medals and badges to honorary titles of the Republic of Kazakhstan for dead awarded citizens and posthumously awarded citizens, and their awarding documents, shall be retained by the family memory.

With the consent of the heirs of the deceased, awards and awarding documents may be transferred to museums for storage and display.

If the deceased has no heirs, his/her awards and awarding documents shall be returned to the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 39-1. Citizens of the Republic of Kazakhstan, foreign citizens and stateless persons on whom state awards are bestowed shall have the right to export these awards out of the Republic together with the awarding documents.

The method for export state awards made of precious metals is determined by the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Footnote. Chapter IX is supplemented with Article 39-1 in accordance with of Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated July 26, 1999.

X. Loss of state awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan

Article 40. Loss of state awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan is ordered by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan when the awarded person is convicted of a crime, following the proposal of the court on the grounds and in the manner prescribed by legislation.

Loss of state awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan entails the return of them and their documents to the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Article 41. Citizens illegally convicted and fully rehabilitated shall, under a court decision, be given back the right to state awards by the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

XI. Final and transitional provisions

Article 42. It is prohibited to establish and manufacture orders, medals, badges, and documents for them that are completely or in any part similar in appearance or name to state awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

It is not permitted to award non-state awards on behalf of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the people of Kazakhstan, or the Head of State.

Footnote. Article 42 as amended by the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 13.01.2025 № 157-VIII (shall be enforced upon expiry of ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

Article 43. Purchase, sale, exchange or other transfer for a consideration of orders, medals and badges conferring an honorary title of the Republic of Kazakhstan, and other illegal acts committed in relation to state awards shall entail liability under the Law.

Article 44. For citizens awarded before the entry into force of this Law with the orders “Otan” and “Dunk”, the highest degree of excellence, the title “Halyk Kaharmany” and honorary titles of the Republic, local representative bodies may provide the benefits at the expense of local budgets.

Footnote. Article 44 is in the wording of Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated 26 July, 1999.

Article 45. The following shall be deemed to have lost force:

Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 1 April 1993 “Concerning State Awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan” (Bulletin of the Supreme Council of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 1993, № 8, Article 157);

Resolution of the Supreme Council of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated 1 April 1993 “Concerning introduction of the Law “Concerning State Awards of the Republic of Kazakhstan”, except for paragraphs 3 and 4 (Bulletin of the Supreme Council of the Republic of Kazakhstan, 1993, № 8, Article 158).

This Law enters into force from 1 January 1996.

Footnote. Article 45 as amended by Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan № 462 dated 26 July 1999.

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