

# Legal Newsletter

# (January 2023)

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

# Resolution №17 of the Government of Georgia

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 the State Employment Promotion Program 2023 was approved by the Resolution Nº17 of the Government of Georgia, in the form of the following subprograms:

- 1. "Services Development Subprogram of Employment Promotion " (Appendix №1).
- 2. "Sub-program for raising the professional qualifications of job seekers" (Appendix №2).
- 3. "Employment Promotion Subprogram on Public Works" (Appendix №3).

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above program at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u>, with the registration code: 190020010.10.003.023840

The Resolution entered into force immediately after its publication and extended to relationships arising from January 1, 2023.



#### Resolution of the Government of Georgia №14

On the 16<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 Resolution №171 of the Government of Georgia made on May 8, 2012 "on approval of the service tariffs of the legal entity of public law - Levan Samkharauli National Bureau of Forensic Expertise" was declared invalid and the service tariffs of the new legal entity of public law - Levan Samkharauli National Bureau of Forensic Expertise" were approved in accordance with the appendix.

You can see the full version of the amendment in the above Appendix at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u>, with the registration code: 040030000.10.003.023848

The Resolution came into force from the 1st of February, 2023.

#### Resolution Nº1 of the Supreme Council of Justice of Georgia

On the 20<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 according to Resolution №46 of the Supreme Council of Justice of Georgia "on Normative Acts" in accordance with paragraph 4 of Article 20 of the Organic Law of Georgia, "on Attribution of Some Decisions of the Supreme Council of Justice of Georgia to Normative Acts" following amendments were made to the "rules for the automatic distribution of cases in the general courts of Georgia via electronic system" approved by Appendix 20 of Resolution №1 of the Supreme Council of Justice of Georgia made on January 31, 2020 in particular, Article 3, paragraph 2 of the "Rule for the automatic distribution of cases in the general courts of Georgia via electronic system"; Article 3, paragraph 5, etc., of the Rules for the Automatic Distribution of Cases in the Common Courts of Georgia via Electronic System and etc. were formed with a new edition.

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You can see the Appendices approved by the above mentioned amendment document at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u>, with the registration code: 010210060.74.086.016046.

The Resolution came into force upon its publication.

The effect of the resolution does not apply to the cases already distributed before its implementation.

### Resolution Nº33 of the Government of Georgia

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 in accordance with the Article 39 of the Organic Law of Georgia "Labor Code of Georgia" and Article 6, Paragraph 1 of the Law of Georgia "on the Structure, Powers and Procedures of the Government of Georgia" by the Resolution N°33 of the Government of Georgia, in order to determine the amount of financial assistance to be given during the period of paid leave due to pregnancy and childbirth, paid leave due to child care, as well as paid leave due to the adoption of a newborn, the Government of Georgia determined:

The amount of monetary assistance to be given during the period of paid leave due to pregnancy and childbirth, paid leave due to child care, as well as paid leave due to the adoption of a newborn baby not more than 2000 (two thousand) GEL.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above document at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u> with the registration code: 270000000.10.003.023866.

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The Resolution came into force upon its publication and extended to the legal relationships arising from January 1, 2023.

#### Resolution Nº42 of the Government of Georgia

On the 30<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 the attached "Education Promotion Program for Foreign Countries Citizens in Georgia" was approved by Resolution Nº42 of the Government of Georgia.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above document at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u> with the registration code: 430020000.10.003.023875.

The Resolution came into force upon its publication and extended to the legal relationships arising from January 1, 2023.

### Resolution №455 of the Government of Georgia

On the 30<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 by the Resolution Nº40 of the Government of Georgia an amendment was made in Resolution Nº455 "on approving the Instruction on the Rules and Conditions for Issuing Permits for the Activities of Customs Warehouses and Free Trade Points" made on September 16, 2019 and Article 2 of the Instruction (the terms used in this instruction have the following meaning); Article 5 (in order to obtain a permit, the permit seeker submits a written application to the Revenue Service, the submission, acceptance and

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consideration of which will be carried out in accordance with the procedure established by the Law of Georgia "on Licenses and Permits".) etc. were formed with a new edition.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above instructions at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u> with the registration code: 240090000.10.003.023873.

The Resolution came into force upon its publication and will be extended to the legal relationships arising from January 1, 2023.

## Order Nº886 of the Minister of Justice of Georgia

On the 10<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 according to the order №886 of the Minister of Justice of Georgia, the list of settlements (including highland settlements), where notary services are not properly available in 2023, were approved.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above document at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u> with the registration code: 170000000.22.027.017376

The Order came into force upon its publication.

### Order Nº1 of the head of the National Agency of Mineral Resources

On the 11<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 according to the order Nº5 of the head of the National Agency of Mineral Resources" an amendment was made to the Order Nº1 of LEPL-the Head of the National Agency for Mineral Resources made on March 2, 2022 on holding an auction for the

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purpose of issuing a license for the use of minerals, determining the initial price of the license and approving the regulation on the payment method" and the sub-paragraphs "A.C" of the first paragraph, Article 6 of the regulation approved by the order was formed with the following redaction:

"A.C) L – according to the table in the first paragraph, Article 5 of the Law of Georgia "on fees for the use of natural resources", the amount of the fee established for the use of minerals (in GEL) and in the case of sand-gravel, L - the amount of the fee multiplied by 7.5" established for this type of fossil according to the first paragraph of Article 5 of the Law of Georgia "on fees for the Use of Natural Resources".

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above document at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u> with the registration code: 380050000.76.089.016008.

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

# Order №168/04 of the President of the National Bank of Georgia

On the 18<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 Paragraph 8 with the following content was supplemented to Article 2 of the rule approved by the order №168/04 of the President of the National Bank of Georgia made on September 22, 2020, "on approval of the rules for the activity of a specialized depository":

"8. The consent given in accordance with paragraph 5 of this article shall be equivalent to the authorization given to the financial institution in accordance with the "Regulatory Rule of the Specialized Depository of the Accumulation Pension Scheme" approved by the order of the President of the National Bank of Georgia №259/04 made on November 30, 2018. The

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authorized specialized depository is obliged to act in accordance with this rule in relation to investment funds.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above document at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u> with the registration code: 220090000.18.011.016673.

The Order came into force upon its publication.

#### Order Nº994 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia

On the 23<sup>rd</sup> of January, 2023 by the order N°13 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia Article 38<sup>2</sup> (assistance in tax collection within the framework of obligations taken by other international agreements of Georgia or the convention made on January 25, 1988 about mutual administrative assistance in tax matters") was supplemented after Article 38<sup>1</sup> of the rule approved by the order N°994 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia made on December 31, 2010 "on conducting ongoing control procedures, write off of goods and material values, repayment of recognized tax debt, implementation of measures to ensure payment of tax debt, approval of the procedure for conducting proceedings for legal violations"

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above document at the link: <a href="https://matsne.gov.ge">https://matsne.gov.ge</a> with the registration code: 200090000.22.033.017649. The Order came into force upon its publication.

Order Nº996 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia "on Tax Administration"

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On the 24<sup>th</sup> of January an amendment was made to the instruction "on Taxes Administration" approved by Order №996 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia made on December 31, 2010 and Part IV of the attached edition was supplemented to Appendix "A" of Appendix №III-25 ("Value Added Tax Declaration") and Article 75 (completion of the VAT declaration) was formulated with a new edition.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above document at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u> with the registration code: 200090000.22.033.017650.

The Order came into force upon its publication.

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 by the same order, on the 13<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023, an amendment was made to the instruction "on Administration of Taxes" approved by Order №996 of the Minister of Finance of Georgia made on December 31, 2010, and Article 71 with the following content was added after Article 7: (Cancellation of tax recording of a person registered as a tax payer by the tax authority).

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above document at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u> with the registration code: 200090000.22.033.017647.

The Order came into force upon its publication.

Order Nº217/04 of the President of National Bank of Georgia

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On the 25<sup>th</sup> of January, 2023 according to the order Nº15/04 of the President of the National Bank of Georgia Nº217/04 the following amendment was made to the order approved by the order Nº217/04 of the President of the National Bank of Georgia made on September 27, 2018," on the approval of the rules for registration, cancellation of registration and regulation of the lending entity in the National Bank of Georgia": paragraph 3 of the first article (the limited liability company may operate in the legal form of a limited liability or joint-stock company); Article 2 (definitions of terms), etc. were formed with a new edition.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above document at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u> with the registration code: 220010020.18.011.016675.

The Oder came into force upon its publication.

### Order Nº40/m of the Minister of Education and Science of Georgia

On the 31<sup>st</sup> of January, 2023 by the Order №03/N of the Minister of Education and Science of Georgia, an amendment was made to the "National Curriculum Plan" approved by Order №40/m of the Minister of Education and Science of Georgia made on May 18, 2016, on approval of the National Curriculum", namely, Article 46 (National language); Article 47 (mathematics), etc. were formed with a new edition.

You can see the full version of the amendment to the above document at the link: <u>https://matsne.gov.ge</u> with the registration code: 430210000.22.022.018258.

1. The Order, besides the first paragraph of the Order, came into force upon its publication.

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2. The first article of the Order shall come into force from September 15, 2023, and for the purposes of granting the stamp of the general educational institution - immediately after its publication.

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