

**On approval of the Rules for maintaining the State Environmental Information Fund**

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      Footnote. Abolished by Decree of the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated July 21, 2022 No. 512 (effective ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication).

      In accordance with subparagraph 7) of article 16 of the Environmental Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated January 9, 2007 the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan HEREBY DECREES:

      1. To approve the attached Rules for maintaining the State Environmental Information Fund.

      2. This decree shall come into force upon expiry of ten calendar days after the date of its first official publication.

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 **Rules for maintaining the State Environmental Information Fund**
**1. General provisions**

      1. These Rules for maintaining the State Environmental Information Fund (hereinafter referred to as the Rules) have been developed in accordance with subparagraph 7) of article 16 of the Environmental Code of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated January 9, 2007 (hereinafter referred to as the Code) and shall determine the procedure for maintaining the State Environmental Information Fund.

      2. The State Environmental Information Fund (hereinafter referred to as the SEIF) shall be maintained for the purposes of providing the state bodies, individuals and legal entities with reliable information about condition of environment and its objects, environment impact factors, measures taken to protect it, prevent and reduce environmental pollution, use of natural resources.

      3. Maintaining the SEIF shall be carried out by the subordinate organization of the authorized body in the field of environmental protection (hereinafter referred to as the subordinate organization) and shall include activities on collection, storage, processing, analysis, scientific research, provision, distribution of environmental information, education of the population and natural resource users on environmental protection and the use of natural resources.

      4. The composition of the State Environmental Information Fund shall include:

      1) state cadastres of natural resources;

      2) state record-keeping of environmental pollution sites;

      3) state cadastre of production and consumption waste;

      4) state register of natural resource users and sources of environmental pollution;

      5) state cadastre of consumption of ozone depleting substances;

      6) state register of pollutant emissions and transfers;

      7) materials of environmental impact assessment and state environmental expertise;

      8) normative legal acts and normative-technical documents in the field of environmental protection and use of natural resources;

      9) reports on the implementation of research and development activities related to the environmental protection and the use of natural resources;

      10) National Report on condition of environment and use of natural resources;

      11) National environmental atlas;

      12) reports on the results of control, inspection and enforcement activities in the field of environmental protection and use of natural resources;

      13) program of production environmental control and reports of environmental monitoring;

      14) data of state environmental monitoring;

      15) scientific-technical literature in the field of ecology;

      16) information on the state of the environment and the use of natural resources, environmental impact factors and measures taken for its protection;

      17) other materials and documents, containing environmental information.

      5. Terms and definitions, used in these Rules shall be applicable in accordance with the current legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

 **2. Collection of environmental information**

      6. Information to the SEIF shall be provided in written, electronic, audiovisual or other forms by:

      1) state bodies;

      2) legal entities.

      7. Information to the SEIF shall be provided by the following state bodies:

      1) authorized state body in the field of environmental protection;

      2) authorized state body in the field of forestry;

      3) authorized state body in the field of protection, reproduction and use of the animal world;

      4) authorized state body in the field of specially protected natural areas;

      5) authorized state body on land resource management;

      6) authorized state body in the field of civil protection;

      7) authorized state body on the study and use of subsoil;

      8) authorized state body in the field of nuclear energy use;

      9) authorized state body in the field of sanitary and epidemiological welfare of the population;

      10) authorized state body in the field of protection and quarantine of plants;

      11) authorized state body in the field of veterinary;

      12) authorized state body in the field of use and protection of water fund;

      13) authorized state body in the field of space activity;

      14) authorized state body in the field of industrial safety;

      15) authorized state body in the field of healthcare;

      16) local executive bodies of regions, cities of Republican significance, capitals.

      The subordinate organization shall annually send requests to the state bodies and legal entities on provision of information for the maintenance of the SEIF.

      8. State bodies within their competence and legal entities shall provide reliable and complete information for the previous year at the request of the subordinate organization.

      9. The subordinate organization shall organize collection, storage, processing and analysis of information, provided by state bodies and legal entities.

 **3. Storage and processing of environmental information**

      10. Environmental information in paper, electronic, audiovisual or other forms shall be stored on metal racks in a closed room.

      11. Materials and documents in the SEIF shall be grouped by areas in accordance with paragraph 30 of the present Rules.

      12. Processing of environmental information in order to conduct the analysis, shall include its accounting and systematization.

      13. SEIF materials and documents shall be subject to registration. Accounting shall be carried out by entering data in the registration and registry books.

      Information provided by state bodies and legal entities shall be recorded in the registration book.

      The registration book shall indicate: date of registration, ordinal number, inventory number, name of material, state body (legal entity) provided the materials, number of copies and appendices.

      The registry book shall record information by areas in accordance with paragraph 4 of the present Rules.

      The registry book shall indicate: name of the material, state body (legal entity) that provided the material, registry number, inventory number, storage format (paper/electronic), number of copies and appendices, location of the material in the archive (rack, shelf).

      14. Systematization of environmental information shall be carried out in the following areas:

      1) global environmental problems (climate change, ozone depletion, biodiversity conservation, desertification and land degradation);

      2) national environmental problems (ecological disaster zones, problems associated with intensive development of the shelf resources of the Caspian Sea, depletion and pollution of water resources, historical pollution, the impact of military-space and test complexes, cross-border issues);

      3) local environmental problems (radioactive pollution, air pollution, bacteriological and chemical pollution, industrial and household waste, natural and man-made emergencies);

      4) other areas.

 **4. Analysis and environmental scientific researches**

      15. Environmental information provided by state bodies and legal entities shall be analyzed by studying the current state of the environment, dynamics and possible causes of their changes.

      Analytical work consists of the following steps:

      1) information assessment;

      2) determining the results of analysis.

      At the stage of assessing information, the information sources shall be arranged depending on their reliability and accurateness.

      At the stage of determining the results of the analysis, the causes of the appearance of the environmental problem shall be clarified.

      Obtained results of the analysis shall be executed in the form of a report.

      16. The report shall be posted in the public domain on the Internet resource of the subordinate organization, and is also used for drawing up the National Report on condition of environment and use of natural resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

      17. Scientific researches shall be carried out in accordance with the Code and the Law of the Republic of Kazakhstan dated February 18,2011 "On Science".

      Scientific research shall be carried out in the following stages:

      1) determining the research topic;

      2) determining the goals and objectives;

      3) drawing up a research plan;

      4) collection of materials;

      5) conducting the research;

      6) processing of the results of research;

      7) execution of a scientific report.

      18. Environmental scientific research shall be carried out in order to scientifically ensure environmental protection, develop scientifically sound measures to improve, restore, ensure the sustainable functioning of natural ecosystems, rational use and reproduction of natural resources, ensure environmental safety and social, economic and environmentally balanced development of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

 **5. Provision and distribution of environmental information**

      19. Provision of environmental information shall be carried out in accordance with the legislation of the Republic of Kazakhstan on administrative procedures and access to information.

      20. Environmental information shall be distributed by the subordinate organization through:

      1) posting in open access on the Internet resources of a subordinate organization;

      2) distribution in mass media, periodicals, and other publicly available information and communication tools.

 **6. Education of the population and nature users on issues of environmental protection and use of natural resources**

      21. The purpose of education of the population and natural resource users on environmental issues and the use of natural resources is to form an active life position of citizens and ecological culture in society, based on the principles of sustainable development.

      22. Education shall be provided by organizing and conducting by the subordinate organization the following activities:

      1) courses, trainings, and educational seminars for professional development in the field of environmental protection;

      2) advisory assistance to the population;

      3) conferences, exhibitions, seminars, scientific and practical forums;

      4) preparation of press releases, articles, organization of interviews.

      In the preparation and conduct of courses, trainings and educational seminars for professional development in the field of environmental protection, the following activities shall be carried out:

      1) preparing a program, selecting lecturers, determining the date and venue of courses, trainings and educational seminars;

      2) sending letters of invitation to nature users, non-governmental organizations, the media, universities, colleges by e-mail and fax;

      3) registration of students;

      4) conducting courses, trainings and educational seminars;

      5) assessment of the effectiveness of training;

      6) assessment of the lecturers’ work;

      7) assessment of the quality of training;

      8) feedback of students;

      9) issuance of certificates.

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