

Decision

of the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan on Amending Certain Regulatory Acts in Connection with the Adoption of the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan Dated June 21, 2024, No. 1178-VIQD "On Amendments to the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan"

In connection with the adoption of the Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan dated June 21, 2024, No. 1178-VIQD "On Amendments to the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan," the Central Election Commission of the Republic of Azerbaijan (hereinafter referred to as the Central Election Commission), pursuant to Articles 19.4, 19.14, 28.2, and 28.4 of the Election Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan, hereby resolves:

1. Amendments to the Rules on Establishing Initiative Groups in Municipal Elections

The words "series and number" in Sections 3.3, 4.2, and Appendices 1 (in all instances), 1A (in all instances), and 3 (in all instances) of the document titled "Rules on Establishing Initiative Groups of Voters and Nominating Candidates in Municipal Elections by Personal Initiative or through Voter Initiative Groups", approved by the Central Election Commission's Decision No. 28/106 dated June 7, 2006 (including amendments in subsequent decisions), shall be replaced with "series, number, issuance date, or validity period." Similar amendments apply to Appendix 2, while Appendix 5 will include "or validity period" following "issuance date."

2. Amendments to Rules for Nominations by Political Parties in Municipal Elections

The same phrase "series, number, issuance date, or validity period" will replace "series and number" in Sections 3.5, 5.6, and Appendices 1 and 2 of the document "Rules on Nominating Candidates by Political Parties and Blocs of Political Parties in Municipal Elections", approved by the Decision No. 28/107 dated June 7, 2006, and its amendments. This change also applies to Appendices 4 through 7c, adding "or validity period" after "issuance date."

3. Amendments to Rules for Issuing Signature Sheets in Municipal Elections

In Appendices 2 and 2A of the "Rules for Issuing Signature Sheets to Candidates and Authorized Representatives of Political Parties or Party Blocs in Municipal Elections", approved by Decision No. 15/90 dated August 25, 2004, the phrase ", issuance date" will be replaced with "and issuance date or validity period."

4. Amendments to Rules for Collecting Voter Signatures

In Sections 1.6, 1.10, and 1.11 of the "Rules for Collecting Voter Signatures in Support of Candidates for Municipal Elections and Submitting Signature Sheets and Additional Documents to the District Election Commission", approved by Decision No. 29/111 dated June 14, 2006, the phrase "issuance date" will now read "issuance date or validity period."

5. Amendments to Candidate Nomination and Registration Rules

In the "Rules for Verifying Election Documents Submitted for Candidate Registration and Registering Candidates in Municipal Elections", the term "series and number" throughout the document will now read "series, number, issuance date, or validity period." The phrases "number, issuance date" and "document number, issuance date" will also be updated to "number, issuance date, or validity period."

6. Amendments to the Rules on Monitoring Municipal Election Funds

Section 3.12 of the "Rules for Monitoring the Receipt, Use, and Accounting of Funds in Municipal Election Campaigns", approved by Decision No. 23/96 dated August 24, 2009, will now include "or validity period" after "issuance date."

7. Implementation of This Decision

The Central Election Commission shall ensure the official publication and enforcement of this decision, as required by the legislation, within its scope of authority.

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