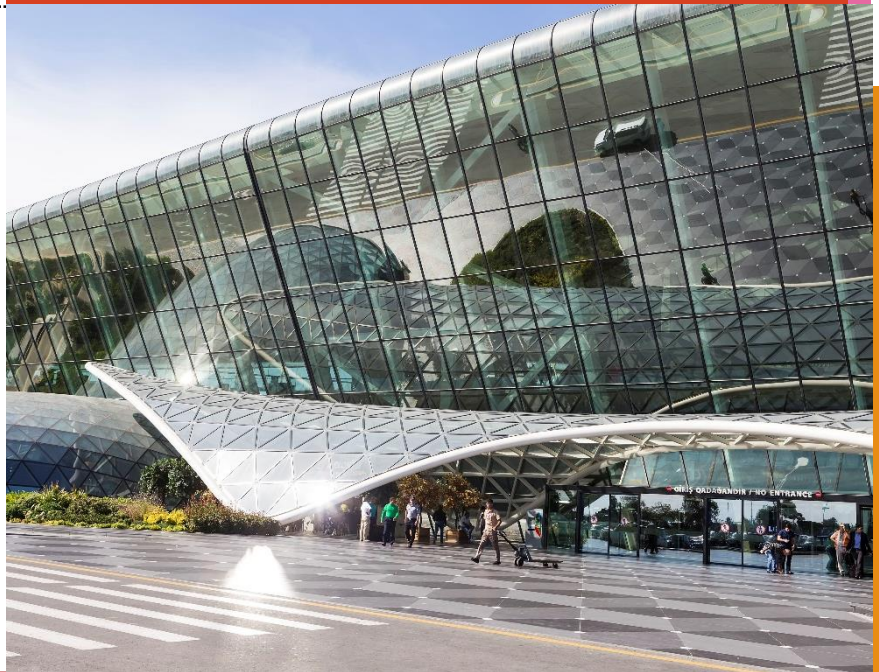


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Law on Alat free economic zone (FEZ)

Milli Majlis has adopted Law on Alat free economic zone ("the Law") on its third reading. Under the Law, residents of Alat FEZ, legal entities and their employees, administrative entities and competent authority of Alat FEZ will be exempted all taxes due to their activities in Alat FEZ. In addition, taxes and customs duties will not be charged for services and goods imported to Alat FEZ. Legal entities entitled to operation in Alat FEZ will not be a subject to any nationalization, expropriation or other any restrictions to private property. With regard to dispute settlement, competent authority of Alat FEZ will provide the establishment of one or more of the followings:

- Arbitration centre;
- Alternative dispute settlement body.

Amendments to Regulations of declaration of goods and vehicles passing through customs border

With amendments, the person in charge should submit the following data,

beforehand, in written on paper or e-form to customs authority for the vehicle intended for bringing to customs area.

- Date of entering of vehicle to customs area;
- Route and directions of vehicle;
- Crew and passenger of vehicle;
- Cargo which will be discharged, regardless of its assignment and purposes of import;
- Cargo which is not supposed to be discharged in customs area, if any;
- Customs area where vehicle will enter.

Amendments to Administrative Offences Code

With amendments, new article on defining administrative sanction for breaking the legislation (on insurance against unemployment) by insurer has been added to the Code. According to the Article, individuals will be fined in amount of AZN 100, officials will be fined in amount of AZN 200 and legal entities will be fined in amount of AZN 400, if they make the following administrative offences:

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- not registering in insurer (relevant state authority) as an insurer (who is employer);
- not insuring their employees against unemployment;
- not paying insurance cost to the insurer (relevant state authority) in certain amount, time and rules defined under Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan on Insurance against unemployment;
- not informing, within five days from the date of order, the insurer about the occupation, specialty and salary of the employee who has been warned in accordance with the first part of Article 77 of the Labour Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan;
- not submitting the information to the insurer, which is basis for defining insurance payment, calculation and payment of insurance cost;
- not informing the insurer as to restructuring or liquidation in compliance with Civil Code of the Republic of Azerbaijan;
- failure in accounting on calculation and transaction of insurance cost and not reporting to the insurer on that, failure in maintenance of data and documents basis for insurance cost.