



Qualification requirements for the licensed type of activity in the field of environmental protection approved

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Briefly

On 12 July 2021 the Minister of Ecology, Geology and Natural Resources of the Republic of Kazakhstan approved the Order on the approval of qualification requirements for a licensed type of activity in the field of environmental protection (the "Qualification requirements"). These Qualification Requirements were introduced on the basis of the provisions of the new Environmental Code (the "Code"), which provides for obtaining a license to perform work and provide services in the field of environmental protection.

In details

According to the provisions of the Code, entrepreneurial activity for the performance of work (provision of services) for the processing, neutralization, disposal and (or) destruction of hazardous waste will require a license to perform work and provide services in the field of environmental protection. However, for the performance of these works by entrepreneurs in relation to waste generated in their activities, the requirement for a mandatory license will not apply.

The order provides for the following qualification requirements for the processing, neutralization, disposal and (or) destruction of hazardous waste for individuals and legal entities:

- the presence of a certified ecologist with at least a year of practical experience;
- ownership or lease by the owner of a production facility intended for the reception, recovery and/or disposal of hazardous waste;
- ownership by the owner of the production complex (plant, equipment and/or transport) for recovery and/or waste disposal operations;
- the presence of a permit for environmental emissions and the conclusion of the state ecological expertise or an integrated environmental permit;
- insurance policy for compulsory environmental insurance;
- transport of hazardous waste management company, engaged in their transportation, equipped with a GPS device (tracker).

Are you interested in this topic?

We would be pleased to discuss with you the above Rules and how they can impact your business, as well as analyze and implement possible steps to ensure compliance with the new requirements **and to provide other legal support.**

If you are interested in additional information, please contact PwC specialists working as part of a group serving your company, or to any of the persons listed.