

GOVERNMENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA

DECISION

No 1290-N of 1 November 2007

**ON ESTABLISHING THE CEREMONY PROCEEDINGS FOR THE OATH OF A PERSON
ACQUIRING THE CITIZENSHIP OF THE REPUBLIC OF ARMENIA**

In accordance with point 4 of the first part of Article 28 of the Law of the Republic of Armenia “On the Citizenship of the Republic of Armenia”, the Government of the Republic of Armenia hereby *decides*:

1. To establish the ceremony proceedings for the oath of a person acquiring the citizenship of the Republic of Armenia, in accordance with the Annex.
2. This Decision shall enter into force on the tenth day following the day of its official promulgation.

**Prime Minister of the
Republic of Armenia**

S. Sargsyan

16 November 2007

Yerevan

Annex
to the Decision of the Government of the
Republic of Armenia No 1290-N of 1
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CEREMONY PROCEEDINGS
FOR THE OATH OF A PERSON ACQUIRING THE CITIZENSHIP OF THE REPUBLIC
OF ARMENIA

1. This ceremony proceedings establish the procedure for taking the oath of the citizen of the Republic of Armenia (hereinafter referred to as “the oath”) by a person acquiring the citizenship of the Republic of Armenia (hereinafter referred to as “the person”).

2. The oath ceremony shall be organised and carried out by the Passport and Visa Department of the Police of the Republic of Armenia adjunct to the Government of the Republic of Armenia (hereinafter referred to as “the Department”).

In the states defined by the decision of the Government of the Republic of Armenia and the citizens of which are issued the passport of the Republic of Armenia for the first time at the diplomatic representations or consular offices of the Republic of Armenia in the mentioned states for acquisition of the citizenship of the Republic of Armenia, the oath ceremony shall be organised and carried out by the diplomatic representations or consular offices of the Republic of Armenia in the mentioned states.

(point 2 supplemented by No. 983-N of 2 August 2012)

3. Following the receipt of the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia on granting the citizenship of the Republic of Armenia, the Department, whereas in foreign states the diplomatic representations or consular offices of the Republic of Armenia shall,

within a 10-day period, send a written notice to the person pursuant to the Form, if the applicant has not filled out his or her electronic mail address and/or mobile phone number in the questionnaire.

(point 3 supplemented by No. 983-N of 2 August 2012, No. 1505-N of 29 November 2012)

4. The oath ceremony shall be carried out every working day, at the hour mentioned in the notice. The person acquiring citizenship shall familiarise himself or herself with the extract of the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia on granting citizenship of the Republic of Armenia in the Department, whereas in foreign states at the diplomatic representations or consular offices of the Republic of Armenia , during the oath ceremony.

(point 4 supplemented by No. 983-N of 2 August 2012, edited by No. 1505-N of 29 November 2012)

5. The oath ceremony shall be held solemnly, before the state flag of the Republic of Armenia.

6. The oath ceremony in the Department shall start with an introductory speech of the head of the Department or his or her deputy, whereas in a foreign state at the embassy or consular office with that of the Ambassador or Consul General or a diplomat authorised by them, after which the decree of the President of the Republic of Armenia on granting citizenship of the Republic of Armenia shall be read. On the occasion of Victory and Peace Day, Republic Day, Constitution Day or Independence Day the oath ceremony shall be held in a special solemn atmosphere, where the heads of state bodies of the Republic of Armenia, representatives of non-governmental associations and mass media may be invited to participate in that ceremony. Coverage of the oath ceremony held in a special solemn atmosphere shall be provided through the official website of the Police of the Republic of Armenia adjunct to the Government of the Republic of Armenia.

(point 6 supplemented by No. 983-N of 2 August 2012, No. 1505-N of 29 November 2012)

7. The person shall, after the head (deputy head) of the Department, whereas in a foreign state, the Ambassador, the Consul General or a diplomat authorised by them reads out the oath text, take an oath reciting the words "I swear" and sign the oath text afterwards.

(point 7 edited by No. 1505-N of 29 November 2012)

8. The head (deputy head) of the Department, whereas in a foreign state, the Ambassador, the Consul General or a diplomat authorised by them shall congratulate the person on the occasion of taking the oath, following which the anthem of the Republic of Armenia shall be played.

(point 8 supplemented by No. 983-N of 2 August 2012)

9. The signed oath text shall be attached to the documents of the person on acquisition of the citizenship of the Republic of Armenia.

9.1. The diplomatic representations or consular offices of the Republic of Armenia in foreign states shall send the oath text to the Department through the Consular Department of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Armenia in order to attach it to the documents of the person on acquisition of the citizenship of the Republic of Armenia.

(point 9.1 supplemented by No. 983-N of 2 August 2012)

10. ***(point repealed by No. 1505-N of 29 November 2012)***

**Chief of Staff of the
Government of the Republic of
Armenia**

D. Sargsyan

WRITTEN NOTICE

Dear _____

(name, surname of person being notified)

This is to inform that for taking part in the oath ceremony, you may arrive at the Passport and Visa Department of the Police of the Republic of Armenia adjunct to the Government of the Republic of Armenia, whereas in foreign states, at the diplomatic representations or the consular offices of the Republic of Armenia, every working day at _____.

_____ at the address

_____ Room, to _____.

(position, name, surname of the official)

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(form edited by No. 411-N of 25 March 2010, supplemented by No. 983-N of 2 August 2012, edited by No. 1505-N of 29 November 2012)

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