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ON
IMMIGRATION AND FOREIGNER
MANAGEMENT OF THE LAO PDR**

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LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRACY UNITY PROSPERITY

National Assembly

No. 018/NA

**RESOLUTION
OF THE
NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
OF THE
LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
ON THE PROMULGATION OF THE LAW ON IMMIGRATION
AND FOREIGNER MANAGEMENT OF THE LAO PDR**

Pursuant to Article 53, Point 2 of the Constitution and Article 3, Point 1 of the Law on National Assembly of the Lao People's Democratic Republic on rights and duties of the National Assembly.

After the 8th general session of National Assembly VII have widely studied and considered on the context of the Law on Immigration and Foreigner Management of the Lao PDR which took place in the morning of 26th December 2014.

The Meeting has agreed:

- Article 1 The Law on Immigration and Foreigner Management of the Lao PDR is adopted with majority votes.
- Article 2 This Resolution is effective from the date it is signed.

Vientiane Capital, 26th December 2014
President of the National Assembly

[Seal and Signature]

Pany YATHOTOU



LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRACY UNITY PROSPERITY

President

No. 079/PO

Vientiane Capital, Date: 3rd June 2015

DECREE
of the
PRESIDENT
of the
LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC

**On the Promulgation of the Law on Immigration and Foreigner Management
of the Lao PDR**

- Pursuant to Chapter VI, Article 67, Point 1 of the Constitution of the Lao People's Democratic Republic;
- Pursuant to Resolution No. 018/NA, dated 26th December 2014, of the National Assembly;
- Pursuant to Proposal No. 07/NASC, dated 22nd January 2015, of the National Assembly Standing Committee.

**The President
of the Lao People's Democratic Republic Decrees That:**

Article 1. The Law on Immigration and Foreigner Management of the Lao PDR is hereby promulgated.

Article 2. This decree is effective from the date it is signed.

President of the Lao People's Democratic Republic

[Seal and Signature]

Choumaly XAYASONE



LAO PEOPLE'S DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC
PEACE INDEPENDENCE DEMOCRACY UNITY PROSPERITY

National Assembly

No. 59/NA
Vientiane Capital, Date: 26th December 2014

LAW
ON IMMIGRATION AND FOREIGNER MANAGEMENT
OF THE LAO PDR

PART I
General Provisions

Article 1 Objectives

This law defines the principles, regulations and measures on the management, monitoring and inspection of immigration and foreigner management works of the Lao PDR to ensure their efficient activity performance, rapid and up-to-date services, aiming at protecting national security and sovereignty, ensuring social security and order, enabling regional and international integration, and contributing in national security and development.

Article 2 Immigration of the Lao PDR

The immigration of the Lao PDR is the entry into and departure from the country of Lao citizens, foreigners, aliens and stateless people, including their vehicles whose documents are duly declared in compliance with the regulations.

The immigration management of the Lao PDR is to facilitate, control, monitor and inspect the entry-departure of the Lao PDR.

Article 3 Foreigner Management of the Lao PDR

Foreigners are persons holding other nationalities, including aliens and stateless people who enter into the Lao PDR for a visit, travel, work

performance, either official or unofficial, with a duration of stay, and for living in the Lao PDR.

The management of foreigners in the Lao PDR is the facilitation, monitoring, inspection of the movements of foreigners who come for duty performance, business operations, visits, tourism purposes or work within a specified duration, and for living in the Lao PDR.

Article 4 Definition of Terms

The terms used in this law have the following meanings:

1. **Border checkpoints of the Lao PDR** means the locations that are officially established for monitoring the entry-departure of the country which include international checkpoints, local checkpoints and traditional checkpoints;
2. **International checkpoints** means the locations that authorize Lao citizens, aliens, foreigners and stateless people to travel in and out, using passports, border passes, temporary border passes or other substituted travel documents that are in compliance with the regulations and laws;
3. **Local checkpoints** means the locations that specifically authorize Lao citizens and the citizens of the countries that their provincial borders are attached to the Lao PDR to travel in and out, based on the officially bilateral agreement, with the use of passports, border passes, temporary border passes or other substituted travel documents that are in compliance with the regulations and laws;
4. **Traditional checkpoints** means the locations that authorize Lao citizens and the citizens of neighboring countries whose permanent domiciles are located in the border-attached areas or front-end districts of the Lao PDR to travel in and out, based on the bilateral agreement, with the use of border passes or temporary border passes that are in compliance with the regulations and laws;
5. **Lao race** means individual who was born in the Lao PDR and holds Lao nationality by birth or born abroad with either father or mother in the Lao PDR and holding Lao nationality by birth;
6. **Identity card** means the card proving status, issued to foreigners as specified in Article 39 of this Law.
7. **Stay permit card** means the card certifying the authorized stay at a fixed period of time, issued to foreigners, stateless people as

specified in Article 34 of this law;

8. **Stay registration** means the approval of stay for the individuals as specified in Article 33 of this law;
9. **Visa** means the authorization in entering into and departing from a country;
10. **Family members** means husband, wife and their children;
11. **Passenger vehicle for the Lao PDR border crossing** means all types of auto-vehicle, train, boat, airplane or anything moved by machine, man-power or animal-power.

Article 5 State Policy Towards the Immigration and Foreigner Management Works of the Lao PDR

The State promotes, encourages and facilitates the works of immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR by building up a comprehensively systematic infrastructure, and providing staff, budgets, vehicles, equipment to be used in such works in order to generate correctness, smooth, strength and modernization.

Article 6 Principles on Activities of Immigration and Foreigner Management of the Lao PDR

Activities of Immigration and Foreigner Management of the Lao PDR shall comply with the following principles:

1. Be in line with the constitution, laws, regulations, international treaties and conventions that the Lao PDR is a party;
2. Ensure that the services are convenient, rapid, transparent and modernized;
3. Manage centrally and unanimously throughout the country;
4. Ensure national stability and social security, safety and order;

Article 7 Scope of Application of Law

This Law applies to legal entities, organizations, Lao citizens, aliens, foreigners, and stateless people who enter-depart, move and live in the Lao PDR.

Article 8 International Cooperation

The State promotes foreign, regional and international cooperation in forms of exchanging lessons, technologies, information, upgrading technical knowledges on the works of immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR, implementing international treaties and conventions that the Lao PDR is a party.

PART II Immigration of the Lao PDR

CHAPTER 1 Requirements of the Immigration of the Lao PDR

Article 9 General Requirements of the Immigration of the Lao PDR

General requirements of individuals to enter into and depart from the Lao PDR are as follows:

1. Lao citizens, aliens, foreigners and stateless people shall hold the absolutely complete and legitimate travel documents;
2. Individual holding multiply legalized passports, and nationalities, shall use the passport declared at the front-end departed checkpoint or the latest checkpoint before arriving at the Lao PDR as a travel document for entering into the Lao PDR;
3. Individual holding absolutely complete and legitimate passport with the entry stamp from the immigration police officer at a checkpoint or has his/her stay permit legally renewed, such passport shall be used on his/her departure from the Lao PDR;
4. Individual from countries that require no immigration entry stamp on the passport shall follow the bilateral agreement or Agreement of the Government of the Lao PDR;
5. In case the passport is lost or unusable, a certified document from local police and Immigration Police Department shall be presented to support the request for a new passport issuance by its embassy, consulate, then, request an exit visa from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs before being able to depart from the Lao PDR.

Separate regulations shall apply to other travel documents.

Article 10 Entry into and Departure from the Lao PDR of Lao citizens and Aliens

The entry into and departure from the Lao PDR of Lao citizens shall comply with the followings:

1. Obtain entry visa of the country to travel to; for the countries that have visa-exempted agreement with the Lao PDR, such agreement shall be implemented;
2. Use border pass or temporary border pass for border trafficking between the Lao PDR and the border-attached countries in accordance with the bilateral agreement between the Lao PDR and such countries;
3. Use passport to enter into and depart from the Lao PDR and declare the entry and departure to the immigration police officers at a checkpoint;
4. Have an officially certified documents from relevant organizations to declare to the immigration police officers at a checkpoint for those who use diplomatic passports and official passports;

Aliens who enter into and depart from the Lao PDR shall declare their passports, identity cards or a copy of alien family registration books to the immigration police officers at a border checkpoint.

Article 11 Entry into and Departure from the Lao PDR of Foreigners and Stateless People

The entry into and departure from the Lao PDR of Foreigners and Stateless People shall comply with the followings:

1. Comply with the bilateral agreement for those who hold diplomatic, official and normal passports of diplomatic, official and normal visa-exempted countries with the Lao PDR;
2. Comply with the visa application procedures before entering for those who hold diplomatic, official and normal passports of the countries that have non-visa exempted agreement with the Lao PDR;
3. Comply with the Agreement of the Government of the Lao PDR for the citizens of countries that the Lao PDR has one-sided visa exempted;
4. Declare the entry-departure to the border checkpoint immigration police officers.
5. Comply with the bilateral agreement for those who are in neighboring countries and use passports, border pass or temporary border pass for entering into the Lao PDR.

For the regular civil aviation crews whose countries have an agreement with the Lao PDR and hold certified flight crew documents of such countries, if they wish to stay overnight in the city of the located airport, they will be allowed to enter into, depart from and stay in the Lao PDR not more than twenty-four hours. However, they need to go through the inspection of the immigration police officers at the airport in accordance with the international regulations.

Article 12 Prohibition of Entry into the Lao PDR

The foreigners and stateless people who are not allowed to enter into the Lao PDR are as follows:

1. Individuals whose activities have been violated against the stability, security and benefit at large of the nation, including those who have degraded and disgraced Laos;
2. Individuals who have robbed or involved in intercountry robbery, act of terrorism, transnational crime, human trafficking, illegal immigration or smuggling people into and out of the Lao PDR, prostitution, prostitute trading and sexual abuse or have information on such crimes;
3. Individuals who are in the prohibited list of entry into the Lao PDR;
4. Individuals who use illegal travel documents, such as, documents of other holders, forgery, documents with some modified data, incomplete or invalid;
5. Individuals who have insufficient financial status to cover the temporary stay duration in the Lao PDR;
6. Individuals who have contagious diseases, serious chronic diseases as per the international regulations and announcements from relevant sectors.

Article 13 Prohibition of Departure from the Lao PDR

Individuals who are not allowed to depart from the Lao PDR are as follows:

1. Individuals who have committed violation of the stability, security and benefit at large of the nation, including those who have degraded and disgraced Laos;
2. Individuals who use illegal travel documents, such as, documents of other holders, forgery, documents with some modified data, incomplete or invalid;
3. Individuals who are involved in criminal cases or civil cases which are still in the prosecution or fine implementing process, civil compensation has not been completed, in accordance with the proposal of the investigating-interrogating organization, the office

of the public prosecutors, the people's court, relevant sectors, officials processing information or litigants.

CHAPTER 2

Responsibility of Individual, Juristic entity and Organization using Vehicle to enter into and depart from the Lao PDR

Article 14 Vehicle transporting passengers to and from the Lao PDR

Individuals, legal entities and organizations using vehicles to transport passengers into and out of the Lao PDR shall enter-depart at the officially specified border checkpoints, clearly declare the vehicle, detailed entry and departure dates including passenger manifest to the immigration police officers at the checkpoint in accordance with the regulations.

Separate regulations shall apply to domestic and international passenger airplanes.

Article 15 Responsibility of Individuals, Legal entities and Organizations using Vehicles to enter into and depart from the Lao PDR

Individual, juristic entity and organization using a vehicle to enter into and depart from the Lao PDR has the following responsibilities:

1. Provide the immigration police officers with cooperation; in case of doubt or any information on law violation, the immigration police officers at a checkpoint can perform an inspection on passengers, vehicles or personal belongings that are not listed in the manifest;
2. Pay for food and accommodation and other expenses including the passenger deportation out of the Lao PDR in case the passengers were brought in not in accordance with the conditions specified in Articles 9, 12 and 13 of this law.

Chapter 3

Border Checkpoints Management and Protection

Article 16 Border Checkpoints Management

Management of the Lao PDR border checkpoints is the control, appropriation of orders, monitoring and inspection of circumstances in relation

to the border trafficking at the checkpoints strictly, to ensure security and safety.

Article 17 Management of Technical System

Management of technical system is the use of the up-to-date technical equipment and technology in the management, monitoring and inspection of immigration management works of the Lao PDR to ensure occupational aspects and capacity in unanimous, rapid and prompt information and database integration.

Article 18 Border Checkpoints Protection

The border checkpoints protection is the seek and collection of all information comprehensively within the areas of immigration border checkpoints of the Lao PDR, about the movement of individuals, group of individuals those who are non-genuine at the border that will make use of the border trafficking to create civil disturbance, loss. This aims to help promptly protect, prevent and counter.

In case there is a contingency that affects the national stability at the border checkpoint or borderland, the border checkpoint immigration police officers shall form the force and liaise with relevant sectors for prompt prevention, control and solution.

Procedures and regulations for the contingency resolution shall comply with the Law on National Security and other relevant laws.

CHAPTER 4

Visa Categories and Visa Issuance of the Lao PDR

Article 19 Visa Categories

Visa categories of the Lao PDR are as follows:

1. Diplomatic visa (D-A1)
2. Official visa (S-A2)
3. Spouse visa (SP-B3)
4. Courtesy visa (C-B1)
5. Tourist visa (T-B3)
6. Short-term visa (NI-B3)
7. Long-term visa (I-B3)
8. Permanent visa (P-B3)

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| 9. Expert visa | (E-B2) |
| 10. Transit visa | (TR-B3) |
| 11. Business visa | (NI-B2 or I-B2) |
| 12. Student visa | (ST-B2) |
| 13. Media visa | (M-B2) |
| 14. Labor visa | (LA-B2) |

In case a passport still remains valid but has no more page for visa stamp, passports of foreigners or territories that the Lao PDR has yet diplomatic or consulate relations and due to the reason diplomatic relations or national stability, the diplomatic officials or consulate officers or officers at visa-on-arrival unit will issue an attachable visa stamp page to.

Article 20 Issuance of Each Visa Category

Issuance of each visa category shall conducted as follows:

1. Diplomatic visa is issued to: Diplomat of junior secretary ranking and above, consul, resident representatives and deputy resident representatives of the United Nations Organizations and other international organizations including their family members who have been assigned to take up their duties both in short-term and long-term in the Lao PDR with a letter of proposal from relevant organization.
2. Official visa is issued to: Administrative-technical staff of embassies, general consulates and consulates including their family members;
3. Spouse visa is issued to: Foreigners and stateless people who have legally registered their marriage with Lao citizens.
4. Courtesy visa is issued to:
 - Staff of cooperation office dealing with bilateral cooperation, staff of the United Nations Organization and other international organizations posted at the representative office of such organization in the Lao PDR;
 - Foreign experts or technical officers who come and work for cooperation project between the two governments.
 - Foreign experts or technical officers of foreign voluntary organizations who accompany their projects of grant assistance to the Government of the Lao PDR;
 - Experts who come to collect information on loans and monitor the loan agreement projects provided to the Government of the Lao PDR;
 - Foreign experts who have been invited to organize seminars, trainings or discourses;
 - Staff serving at embassies, general consulates, consulates and diplomats' personal residences who are not Lao citizen or

- have no permanent residency in the Lao PDR;
 - Very Important Person who is in the movement plan in providing assistances and honorary person;
 - Family members of the people specified in Point 4 of this Article.
5. Tourist visa is issued to: Foreigners and stateless people who have the purpose of visiting the Lao PDR for tourism;
 6. Short-term visa is issued to:
 - Foreign technical officers who have been approved to temporarily come for meetings, trainings or study tours in the Lao PDR;
 - Foreigners, stateless people who have the purpose of visiting parents, relatives, friends, collecting investment information, coordinating commerce and other purposes that are legitimate in accordance with the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR.
 7. Long-term visa is issued to:
 - Foreigners and stateless people who have their goodness contribute to national protection and development tasks including those who provide benefits to the Lao PDR with the long stay purpose in the Lao PDR;
 - Foreigners, general stateless people with long stay purpose in the Lao PDR shall have money in their bank account of a bank in the Lao PDR at least twenty thousand US dollars for six-month stay in the Lao PDR and forty thousand US dollars for one-year stay in the Lao PDR.
 8. Permanent visa is issued to: Foreigners and stateless people who are approved to permanently live in the Lao PDR;
 9. Expert visa is issued to:
 - Experts and staff of Non-Government Organizations (NGOs) who are approved to perform their duties in the Lao PDR;
 - Experts and technicians who are employed or business contractor of Government, private or other international organizations including their family members.
 10. Transit visa is issued to: Foreigners and stateless people whose travel is to transit to other countries;
 11. Business visa is issued to: Foreign business people including their family members who come for investment or economic data collection in the Lao PDR;
 12. Student visa is issued to: Students who come to study, research, collect data or come for a technical internship in the Lao PDR;
 13. Media visa is issued to: Foreign journalists who come to collect news in the Lao PDR;
 14. Labor visa is issued to: Foreigners and stateless people who come to work as laborers in the Lao PDR including their family members.

Article 21 People to be granted Multiple Entry-Exit Visa

The following people may be granted multiple entry-exit visa:

1. Diplomats who have been assigned to be posted in the Lao PDR;
2. Diplomats who have been assigned to be posted in the Lao PDR but have their embassies in other countries;
3. People who come to perform their duties for a short period of not exceeding sixty days;
4. Foreigners and stateless people who come to perform their duties in the Lao PDR for the period of more than sixty-one days and have been registered or have their identity card issued or have their stay permit card issued.
5. Foreigners and stateless people who have their goodness contribute to national protection and development tasks including investors and developers or business coordinators without being posted in the Lao PDR.

The Lao PDR Multiple entry-exit visa has the same validity as the validity of registration or stay permit card or identity card with the exception of the multiple entry-exit visas as specified in Point 3 and Point 5 of this Article which are stipulated in separate regulations.

Article 22 Scope of Rights in Visa Issuance

Embassies, general consulates, consulates and consular offices of the Lao PDR located in foreign countries can issue tourist visas, short-term visas and transit visas to foreigners and stateless people who fully meet the entry-departure requirements of the Lao PDR with no more than two times. Other visa categories including multiple entry-exit visas shall be issued with the concurrence of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

Visa-on-arrival units at border checkpoints in countrywide range can issue tourist visas, short-term visas and transit visas to foreigners and stateless people who fully meet the requirements to travel in and out of the Lao PDR for one time only. Other visa categories shall be issued with the concurrence of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

In case the embassies, general consulates, consulates and consular offices of the Lao PDR located in foreign countries do not know the background of individuals who are applying for tourist visas, short-term visas and transit visas, they shall seek advices from the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, while the visa-on-arrival units shall seek advices from Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Ministry of Public Security.

CHAPTER 5

Travel Documents

Article 23 Types of Travel Documents

Travel documents consists of passports, border pass, temporary border pass and other substitutable travel documents.

Passport is an intercountry travel document issued by a relevant authority of the country.

Border Pass is a multiple entry-exit type of document that the relevant authorities issue to their citizens to use for border crossing at international border checkpoints, local border checkpoints and traditional border checkpoints to border-attached provinces of both countries with the scope of limit according to the bilateral agreement.

Temporary Border Pass is a single entry-exit type of document that the relevant authorities issue to their citizens to use for border crossing at international border checkpoints, local border checkpoints and traditional border checkpoints to border-attached provinces of both countries with the scope of limit according to the bilateral agreement.

Other substitutable travel document is a type of document used as a substitute of a passport, issued by relevant authorities of a country or an organization that the Lao PDR acknowledges, mainly Travel Document for stateless people, Laissez-passer, Temporary Passport and Certificate of Identity.

Article 24 Scope of Rights of Travel Document Issuing Authority

The Ministry of Public Security is the authority for issuing border passes and temporary border passes.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs is the authority for issuing passports and other substitutable travel documents.

Article 25 Scope of Time in Considering the Travel Document Issuance

The consideration in issuing travel documents shall comply with the following scope of time:

1. Diplomatic passport and official passport Five working days
2. Ordinary passport Seven working days

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| 3. Border pass | Two working days |
| 4. Temporary border pass | One working day |

The consideration for issuing other travel documents is specified in separate regulations.

PART III

Foreigner Management of the Lao PDR

CHAPTER 1

Determination of Stay Duration and Stay Permit

Article 26 Determination of Stay Duration

The immigration police officers at border checkpoints are to determine the stay duration of foreigners and stateless people, based on each visa category or bilateral agreement or Government agreement.

Article 27 Extension of Stay Duration

Foreigners and stateless people who have been approved to stay in the Lao PDR and wish to extend their stay shall apply for the extension of stay with relevant immigration police officers before it expires.

Each extension of the stay duration for each visa category is specified in separate regulations.

Article 28 Stay Permit

Foreigners, stateless people who come for a visit or tourism, for work or an activity performance with time limit and for living in the Lao PDR are able to stay in accordance with the approval of relevant officers of the Ministry of Public Security.

Article 29 Accommodation

Accommodation is a guesthouse, hotel, rented house and overnight accommodation.

Article 30 Declaration of Stay

Foreigners and stateless people shall declare their travel documents used to enter into the Lao PDR or their stay permit cards to the accommodation responsible people for registration in accordance with the regulations.

Article 31 Obligations of Foreigners, Stateless People who are approved to stay in the Lao PDR

Foreigners, Stateless People who are approved to stay in the Lao PDR have the following obligations:

1. Respect and comply with the constitution, laws and regulations, good traditions and cultures of Laos;
2. Cooperate and contribute to the social security and orders;
3. Stay at the places specified in Article 29 of this law to ensure the safety;
4. Comply with other obligations as specified in the regulations and laws.

Article 32 Responsibility of Entrepreneur

The entrepreneurs have the following responsibilities:

1. Keep record, copy of travel documents of foreigners and stateless people who come to stay in the accommodation of your responsibility, then notify relevant officers and local authorities within twenty-four hours;
2. Keep record and notify tourism police and other relevant authorities on the vehicles rented to foreigners and stateless people.
3. Report, cooperate, facilitate relevant police officers in case the foreigners and stateless people violate the laws and regulations of the Lao PDR;
4. Arrange accommodations, bookkeeping of foreign laborers who are under your responsibility, and report to the foreign management police officers and other relevant sectors.

CHAPTER 2
Registration, Issuance of Stay Permit Cards and Identity Cards of Foreigners
and Stateless People

Article 33 Registration of Stay

The foreigner management police officers register the stay for the foreigners and stateless people who come to perform their tasks in the Lao PDR, by sealing each ninety-day stamp on a page of travel document.

Article 34 Issuance of Stay Permit Card

The foreigner management police officers issue the Stay Permit Cards to foreigners and stateless people who come to perform their tasks in the Lao PDR and to individuals who legally register their marriage with Lao citizens.

Investors, developers of projects or concessions with the Government of the Lao PDR will receive the Stay Permit Cards with one to five-year validity and renewable.

Article 35 Conditions for Registration and Issuance of Stay Permit Cards

The foreigner management police officers can register and issue the Stay Permit cards to the foreigners and stateless people who come to perform their tasks in the Lao PDR in the following conditions:

1. Hold passport with validity of six months or more;
2. Hold Spouse Visa (SP-B3);
3. Hold Official Visa (S-A2), Courtesy Visa (C-B1), Long-Term Visa (I-B3), Student Visa (ST-B2), Media Visa (M-B2), Expert Visa (E-B2), Business Visa (NI-B2) and Labor Visa (LA-B2);
4. Hold proposal document from a relevant organization or company that holds domestic, foreign investment license or concession license approved by the Government of the Lao PDR.;
5. Hold another visa as per the agreement of the Government or hold no visas as per the bilateral agreement.

Article 36 Abolishment of Registration and Stay Permit Card

The registration and stay permit card of foreigners and stateless people shall be abolished in case their activities violate against the regulations and laws or are irrelevant to the specified purposes.

Article 37 Return of Stay Permit Card

When foreigners and stateless people completed their activity performance in the Lao PDR, the relevant organizations, projects, companies and sectors shall inform and return the stay permit cards of such people to Foreigner Management Department or provincial, municipal Public Security Headquarters or immigration police officers at border checkpoints.

Article 38 Issuance of Certificate

Public security sectors issue certificate of the entry-departure and work performance in the Lao PDR, on case-by-case basis, and are apprised of loss of travel documents, stay permit cards and belongings of foreigners and stateless people.

Article 39 Issuance of Identity Card

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs issues the identity card to the following individuals:

1. Diplomats, consular officers, head and deputy head of resident representatives of the United Nations organizations, other international organizations, privileged and protected people equivalent to diplomats including their family members.
2. Technical-administrative officers of embassies, general consulates, consulates and consular offices, cooperation office staff in bilateral scope, staff of united nations organizations and other international organizations representing their representative offices in the Lao PDR, staff serving at the embassies, general consulates, consulates and consular offices and at diplomatic residences who are not Lao citizens or non-permanent residents of the Lao PDR including their family members.

The Ministry of Foreign Affairs will not issue the identity card for people specified in Point 1 and 2 of this Article who come to perform their activities in the Lao PDR for the duration of sixty days to three hundred sixty-five days. The issued identity card will remain valid during their task performance in the Lao PDR.

After the completion of their activity performance in the Lao PDR, the relevant embassies, general consulates, consulates, consular offices, international organizations shall inform and return the identity cards of such people to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

The request for identity card is specified in separate regulations.

PART IV

Implementation of the Immigration and Foreigner Management Works of the Lao PDR

CHAPTER 1

Implementation of the Lao PDR Immigration Activities

Article 40 Organizations to Implementing Immigration Activities of the Lao PDR

Organizations implementing the activities of the Lao PDR immigration consist of:

- Department of Police Immigration of General Security Police Department, Ministry of Public Security;
- Immigration Police Division of Provincial and Capital Public Security Headquarters;
- Immigration Police Units of District and Municipal Public Security Headquarters;
- Immigration police officers at border checkpoints.

Article 41 Rights and Duties of Department of Police Immigration of General Security Police Department, Ministry of Public Security

Department of Police Immigration of General Security Police Department, Ministry of Public Security has the following rights and duties:

1. Research, plan, uphold firm knowledge of all-round circumstances of the work of the Lao PDR Immigration throughout the country;
2. Manage, direct, command, monitor, inspect and evaluate the work of the Lao PDR immigration and border checkpoints in countrywide range to ensure the Lao PDR entry-departure with convenience, rapidity, security, safety and orders;
3. Cease or suspend the travel of vehicles, individuals, group of people when the immigration police officers have evidential information on law violation of such individuals and group of people including the danger of equipment, materials and objects;
4. Direct the border pass issuance to Lao citizens who have a purpose of travel across international border checkpoints where the borders are attached to the Lao PDR;

5. Authorize the extension of stay permit of foreigners and stateless people who stay in the Lao PDR not more than ninety days, with the exception of the cases specified in separate regulations, as well as direct such work for their subordinates;
6. Disseminate relevant laws and regulations, educate, warn, fine, detain and proceed with interrogation for primary evidential information from the individuals who violate the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR;
7. Utilize vehicles, equipment, techniques and weapons in the Lao PDR entry-departure work as deemed necessary;
8. Coordinate the work of the Lao PDR entry-departure with relevant sectors;
9. Liaise, cooperate with abroad, regions and internationals in the works of the Lao PDR entry-departure as per the assignment;
10. Regularly conclude and report on the implementation of the Lao PDR entry-departure work to higher authority;
11. Exercise other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

Article 42 Rights and Duties of Immigration Police Division of Provincial, Municipal Public Security Headquarters

Immigration Police Division of Provincial and Capital Public Security Headquarters have their scope of rights and duties as follows:

1. Manage, direct, command, monitor, inspect and evaluate the immigration work of the Lao PDR and the Provincial and Capital border checkpoints;
2. Verify documents for the issuance or renewal of border pass, temporary border pass to Lao citizens, the request for stay permit renewal of foreigners who use border pass, temporary border pass, in order to propose to higher authority for consideration;
3. Verify the request for renewal of stay duration of foreigners, stateless people who use passports and hold the visa to stay within the province or Capital and propose to higher authority for consideration;
4. Coordinate with Foreigner Management Police Section to manage, monitor, check the staying and movements of the foreigners and stateless people;
5. List names and manage statistics of foreigners and stateless people;
6. Propose to higher authority to cease or suspend the travel of vehicles, individuals, group of people when the immigration police officers have evidential information on law violation of such individuals and group of people including the danger of equipment and materials;
7. Disseminate relevant laws and regulations, educate, warn, fine,

- detain and proceed with interrogation for primary evidential information from the individuals who violate the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR;
8. Utilize vehicles, equipment, techniques and weapons in the Lao PDR entry-departure work as deemed necessary;
 9. Coordinate with relevant sectors in the work of the Lao PDR entry-departure;
 10. Liaise, cooperate with abroad, regions and internationals in the works of the Lao PDR entry-departure as assigned by higher authority;
 11. Regularly conclude and report on the implementation of the Lao PDR entry-departure work to higher authority;
 12. Exercise other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

Article 43 Rights and Duties of Immigration Police Unit of District, Municipal Public Security Headquarters

Immigration Police Units of District and Municipal Public Security Headquarters have their scope of rights and duties as follows:

1. Manage, direct, command, monitor, inspect and evaluate the work of the Lao PDR entry-departure at the District and Municipal traditional border checkpoints;
2. Coordinate with Foreigner Management Police Division to manage, monitor, check the staying and movements of the foreigners and stateless people;
3. Check the request for the issuance of temporary border pass of Lao citizens in the border-attached districts and propose to higher authority for consideration;
4. List names and manage statistics of foreigners and stateless people;
5. Propose to higher authority to cease or suspend the travel of vehicles, individuals, group of people when the immigration police officers have evidential information on law violation of such individuals and group of people including the danger of equipment and materials;
6. Disseminate relevant laws and regulations, educate, warn, fine, detain and proceed with interrogation for primary evidential information from the individuals who violate the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR;
7. Utilize vehicles, equipment, techniques and weapons in the Lao PDR entry-departure work as deemed necessary;
8. Coordinate with relevant sectors in the work of the Lao PDR entry-departure;
9. Regularly conclude and report on the implementation of the Lao PDR entry-departure work to higher authority;

10. Exercise other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

Article 44 Rights and Duties of Immigration Police Officers at Border Checkpoints

Immigration police officers at border checkpoints have their scope of rights and duties as follows:

1. Check all types of travel documents of passengers, passengers and vehicles including objects that are not listed in the manifest;
2. Propose to higher authority to cease or suspend the travel of individuals, group of people who do not met full requirements as specified in Articles 9, 12 and 13 of this law;
3. Educate, warn, fine, detain and proceed with interrogation for primary evidential information from the individuals who violate the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR;
4. Utilize vehicles, equipment, techniques and weapons in the Lao PDR entry-departure work as deemed necessary;
5. Coordinate with other officials at the border checkpoints in performing the work of the Lao PDR entry-departure;
6. Liaise, cooperate with the Front-End border checkpoints in the work of the Lao PDR entry-departure as assigned by higher authority;
7. Regularly conclude and report on the implementation of the Lao PDR entry-departure work to higher authority;
8. Exercise other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

CHAPTER 2

Implementation of Foreigner Management Works of the Lao PDR

Article 45 Organizations to Implement the Works of Foreigner Management of the Lao PDR

Organizations implementing the works of foreigner management of the Lao PDR consist of:

- Police Department for Foreigner Management of General Security Police Department, Ministry of Public Security;
- Foreigner Management Police Division of Provincial and Capital Public Security Headquarters;
- Foreigner Management Police Units of District and Municipal Public Security Headquarters;

Article 46 Rights and Duties of Foreigner Management Police Department of General Security Police Department of Ministry of Public Security

Foreigner Management Police Department of General Security Police Department, Ministry of Public Security has rights and duties according to their roles and scope of responsibility as follows:

1. Research, plan, uphold firm knowledge of all-round circumstances of foreigner management work;
2. Implement the foreigner management works to ensure convenience, rapidity, security, safety and orders throughout the country;
3. Coordinate with the Department of Police Immigration in managing, monitoring, checking the stay and movement of foreigners and stateless people in countrywide range;
4. Direct the recording and managing the name lists and statistics of foreigners and stateless people in countrywide range;
5. Disseminate relevant laws and regulations, educate, warn, fine, detain and proceed with interrogation for primary evidential information from the foreigners and stateless people who violate the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR;
6. Utilize vehicles, equipment, techniques and weapons in the work of foreigner management as deemed necessary;
7. Register the stay, extend the stay registration and issue the stay permit card to foreigners and stateless people in accordance with visa categories in Point 2, 3, 4, 7, 9, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Article 19 of this law. For Point 2 of visa category, it shall be implemented in accordance with bilateral agreement including directing such works to their subordinates;
8. Abolish the registration, stay permit cards of foreigners and stateless people who violate the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR;
9. Study, verify the request for permanent residency in the Lao PDR of foreigners and stateless people and propose to higher authority for consideration;
10. Study, verify the request for marriage between Lao citizens and foreigners and stateless people and propose to higher authority for consideration;
11. Coordinate with relevant sectors in the work of foreigner management;
12. Liaise and cooperate with foreign countries and internationals about the works of foreigner management as per the assignment;
13. Regularly conclude and report on the implementation of the foreigner management work to higher authority;
14. Exercise other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

Article 47 Rights and Duties of Foreigner Management Police Division of Provincial and Capital Public Security Headquarters

The Foreigner Management Police Division of Provincial and Capital Public Security Headquarters has rights and duties according to their roles and scope of responsibility as follows:

1. Manage, direct, command, monitor, inspect and evaluate the works of foreigner management;
2. Study and propose the stay registration, renewal of stay registration and the stay permit card issuance as well as the abolition of such registration and issuance of foreigners and stateless people, to Provincial and Capital Public Security Headquarters for consideration;
3. Coordinate with the Immigration Police Division in managing, monitoring, checking the stay and movement of foreigners and stateless people;
4. Record name lists and manage statistics of foreigners and stateless people;
5. Study, comment on the request for permanent residency in the Lao PDR of foreigners and stateless people, and submit the proposal to higher authority for consideration;
6. Study, comment on the request for marriage between Lao citizens and foreigners and stateless people, and submit the proposal to higher authority for consideration;
7. Disseminate relevant regulations and laws, educate, warn, fine, detain and proceed with interrogation for primary evidential information from the foreigners and stateless people who breach the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR;
8. Utilize vehicles, equipment, techniques and weapons in the work of foreigner management as deemed necessary;
9. Coordinate with relevant sectors in the work of foreigner management;
10. Liaise and cooperate with foreign countries about the works of foreigner management as per the assignment higher authority;
11. Regularly conclude and report on the implementation of the foreigner management work to higher authority;
12. Exercise other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

Article 48 Rights and Duties of Foreigner Management Police Unit of District and Municipal Public Security Headquarters

Foreigner Management Police Unit of District and Municipal Headquarters has rights and duties in accordance with their responsibility as follows:

1. Manage, monitor, check and evaluate the work of foreigner management;
2. Study, comment on the request for permanent residency in the Lao PDR of foreigners and stateless people, and propose to higher authority for consideration;
3. Manage, monitor, check the stay and movement of foreigners and stateless people;
4. Collect information, register and manage foreigner and stateless people statistics;
5. Study, comment on the request for marriage between Lao citizens and foreigners and stateless people, and propose to higher authority for consideration;
6. Disseminate relevant regulations and laws, educate, warn, fine, detain and proceed with interrogation for primary evidential information from the foreigners and stateless people who breach the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR;
7. Utilize vehicles, equipment, techniques and weapons in the work of foreigner management in accordance with regulations as deemed necessary;
8. Coordinate with other relevant offices and authorities in the work of foreigner management;
9. Regularly conclude and report on the implementation of the foreigner management work to higher authority;
10. Use other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

PART V

Fees, Service Charges and Budgets

Article 49 Fees and Service Charges

Fees and service charges shall comply with the periodically promulgated regulations

Article 50 Budgets

The State provides budget for the immigration and foreigner management works of the Lao PDR to be utilized in building and improving infrastructure, developing the works and strengthening occupational workforce.

PART VI Prohibitions

Article 51 Prohibitions for Immigration Police Officers and Foreigner Management Officers

The immigration police officers and foreigner management officers are prohibited to have the following behaviors:

1. Making use of rights and duties for their personal benefits;
2. Overusing their rights and duties as specified by laws;
3. Slowing down and lengthening document processing and time;
4. Using inappropriate behaviors

Apart from such aforementioned prohibitions, the prohibitions stipulated in the Law on Security Force are also applied to the immigration police officers and foreigner management police officers.

Article 52 Prohibitions for foreigners and Stateless People

The foreigners and stateless people are prohibited to have the following behaviors:

1. Crossing the Lao PDR borders illegally;
2. Using travel documents of other people or forge documents;
3. Staying or overstaying illegally;
4. Bribing officers;
5. Operating businesses, working, earning a living or performing any activity in the Lao PDR without approval;
6. Entering into the officially restricted areas;
7. Marrying Lao citizens without approval;
8. Using border pass or temporary border pass to travel out of the limited areas;
9. Violating the national security, safety and stability;
10. Violating good traditions and cultures of the country;
11. Behaving in a manner that violates the regulations and laws.

Article 53 Prohibitions for Lao Citizens, Aliens and Social Organizations

The Lao citizens, aliens and social organizations are prohibited to have the following behaviors:

1. Crossing the Lao PDR borders illegally;
2. Involving, cooperating with, facilitating foreigners, stateless people to illegally act against the regulations, laws, and traditions and cultures of the country;
3. Renting their business, land, house and business operations documents to foreigners, stateless people without receiving authorization from relevant authorities;
4. Bribing officers;
5. Marrying foreigners, aliens and stateless people without receiving approval for Lao citizens;
6. Using travel documents of other people or forge documents;
7. Using foreigners, stateless people to work without authorization;
8. Behaving in a manner that violates the regulations and laws.

PART VII
Resolution on Breaching Regulations and Laws of the Lao PDR

CHAPTER 1
Proceedings on Violators

Article 54 Investigation-Interrogation Proceeding

When it is found that Lao citizens, aliens, foreigners and stateless people breach the immigration regulations of the Lao PDR, the immigration police officers proceed with primary interrogation. In case of necessity, detention can be applied up to forty-eight hours, including confiscating travel documents, belongings, vehicles in relation to the wrongdoing, then compile the case and submit to investigation-interrogation officers for case proceedings legally.

When it is found that aliens, foreigners and stateless people breach the foreigner management regulations of the Lao PDR as stipulated in this law, the foreigner management police officers proceed with primary interrogation. In case of necessity, detention can be applied up to forty-eight hours, including confiscating travel documents, belongings, vehicles in relation to the wrongdoing, then compile the case and submit to investigation-interrogation officers for case proceedings.

For case proceedings on tourists who are foreigners and stateless people, the tourist police officers shall comply with the conditions stipulated in First and Second Paragraphs of this Article.

Article 55 Responsibility of Relevant Officers in Case Proceedings towards Aliens, Foreigners and Stateless People

Immigration officers, foreigner management officers, tourism police officers and other relevant officers who deal with the case proceedings of aliens, foreigners and stateless people shall report to the Department of Immigration Police and, Foreigner Management Police Department within forty-eight hours, then report to Consular Department of Ministry of Foreign Affairs.

In case of death of aliens, foreigners and stateless people, the officers at the location of the death shall apprise Department of Immigration Police, Foreigner Management Police Department and Consular Department of Ministry of Foreign Affairs within twenty-four hours, then report to relevant higher authorities or relevant sectors to seek advice accordingly.

CHAPTER 2

Deportation of Aliens, Foreigners and Stateless People from the Lao PDR

Article 56 Aliens, Foreigners and Stateless People to be deported from the Lao PDR

Aliens, foreigners and stateless people to be deported from the Lao PDR are as follows:

1. those who are released from penalties;
2. those who have an amnesty;
3. those who illegally immigrate the country;
4. those who use invalid travel documents;
5. those who breach the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR after being completely served in accordance with Point 3 of Article 13 of this law.

The procedures of deportation shall comply with the regulations, international agreements and treaties that the Lao PDR is a party.

Article 57 Deportation of Aliens, Foreigners and Stateless People from the Lao PDR

Ministry of Public Security liaises and cooperates with other relevant sectors in deporting aliens, foreigners and stateless people out of the Lao PDR.

Deportation of privileged and protective foreigners in line with the treaty that the Lao PDR is a party shall be addressed via diplomatic channel.

Article 58 Expenses in deporting people who breach the Regulations and Laws out of the Lao PDR

The regulation and law breaching people who are deported from the Lao PDR are self-responsible for any expenses incurred on travelling out of the Lao PDR.

Individuals, legal entities and organizations who brought the aforementioned people in the Lao PDR shall be responsible for expenses of such deportation.

**PART VIII
Management and Inspection of
Immigration and Foreign Management Works of the Lao PDR**

**CHAPTER 1
Management of Immigration and Foreign Management Works of the Lao PDR**

Article 59 Management Authority of the Immigration and Foreigner Management Works of the Lao PDR

The Government centrally and unanimously manages the immigration and foreigner management works throughout the country, by assigning the Ministry of Public Security to take direct responsibility and initially coordinate with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare, other relevant sectors and local administrative authorities for implementation.

The organizations managing the works of immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR consist of:

1. Ministry of Public Security;
2. Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
3. Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare;
4. Other relevant sectors and local administrative authorities.

Article 60 Rights and duties of the Ministry of Public Security

In the management of immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR, the Ministry of Public Security has the following rights and duties:

1. Research and create strategic plans, policies, law on immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR, and submit for the Government's consideration.
2. Propagate, disseminate the regulations and laws on the immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR throughout the country;
3. Direct the registration, manage statistics, monitor, inspect and solve the movement issues of aliens, foreigners and stateless people;
4. Direct, guide, command, manage, monitor, inspect the immigration police officers, foreigner management police officers and tourist police officers throughout the country;
5. Research, comment on the request for marriage of Lao citizens to marry aliens, foreigners and stateless people;
6. Research, issue or abolish the permanent residency permit of foreigners and stateless people;
7. Provide vehicles, weapons, modernized technological equipment and provide appropriate budget;
8. Direct the investigation at the locale and of the corpse of aliens, foreigners and stateless people;
9. Build, improve and up-level the staff-warrior's occupational knowledge on immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR
10. Cooperate, discuss, study on the important tasks and solve the issues in relation to foreigners and stateless people;
11. Liaise and cooperate with abroad, regions and internationals on the immigration and foreigner management works of the Lao PDR;
12. Regularly conclude and report on the implementation of the immigration and foreigner management works to the Government;
13. Exercise other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

Article 61 Rights and duties of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs

In the management of immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs has the following rights and duties:

1. Propagate, disseminate the regulations and laws on the immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR in the scope of its responsibility;
2. Issue, cancel or revoke the diplomatic passports, official passports, ordinary passports and other substitutes of travel documents of Lao citizens;
3. Issue or cancel exit visas of foreigners and stateless people whose passports are lost, stolen or damaged after their receiving the new replacements;
4. Issue or cancel multiple entry-exit visas of foreigners and stateless people;

5. Study, comment on the request for marriage of Lao citizens to marry foreigners and stateless people;
6. Study, comment on the request for permanent residency in the Lao PDR of foreigners and stateless people;
7. Amend or cancel all entry-exit visa categories at the Lao PDR embassies, general consulates, consulates in foreign countries and at visa-on-arrival units of international border checkpoints throughout the country that have issued to foreigners and stateless people;
8. Direct the Lao PDR embassies, general consulates, consulates in foreign countries in the renewal, cancellation, revoke, modification or amendment of all types of the Lao PDR passports, visa-on-arrival units at international border checkpoints throughout the country in relation to the Lao PDR entry-exit visa activities;
9. Direct the identity card issuance for diplomatic officers, head and deputy head of resident representatives of United Nations, head and deputy head of representatives of international organizations in the Lao PDR, including their family members.
10. Direct the management of technology in immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR;
11. Direct, monitor and inspect in line with the direct approach in implementing the occupational tasks of immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR
12. Build, improve and up-level the occupational knowledge of the staff-civil servants on the works of immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR;
13. Upgrade the Lao PDR passport standard to the international standard;
14. Liaise and cooperate with abroad, regions and internationals on the immigration and foreigner management works of the Lao PDR;
15. Regularly conclude and report on the implementation of the immigration and foreigner management works to the Government;
16. Exercise other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

Article 62 Rights and Duties of the Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare

In the management of immigration and foreigner management works of the Lao PDR, the Ministry of Labor and Social Welfare has the following rights and duties:

1. Propagate, disseminate the regulations and laws on the immigration and foreigner management of the Lao PDR in the scope of its responsibility;
2. Direct the management, inspection and bookkeeping of the foreign laborers who work in the Lao PDR;

3. Study and approve the import quota, direct the registration of and the work permit issuance to the foreign laborers;
4. Specify the time for consideration of the import and the use of foreign laborers;
5. Manage the Lao laborers who work in foreign countries, foreign laborers who work in the Lao PDR, by coordinating and cooperating with other relevant sectors, both at central and local levels;
6. Build, improve and upgrade the occupational knowledge of staff-civil servants on the management of foreign laborers of the Lao PDR;
7. Liaise and coordinate with the Ministry of Public Security, Ministry of Foreign Affairs in managing and solving issues of the foreign laborers of the Lao PDR;
8. Liaise and cooperate with abroad, regions and internationals on the management of foreign laborers;
9. Regularly conclude and report on the implementation of foreign laborer management works to the Government;
10. Exercise other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

Article 63 Rights and Duties of Other Sectors and Relevant Local Administrative Authorities

In the Lao PDR immigration and foreigner management work, other sectors, for instance, Ministry of Education and Sport, Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry, Ministry of Public Health and relevant local administrative authorities have the rights and duties in accordance with their scope of responsibility as follows:

1. Collect, register and manage foreigners and stateless people;
2. Declare the list of foreigners and stateless people to the public security sectors;
3. Cooperate with public security sectors, ministries and foreign affairs section of provinces, of the Capital, in order to solve the issue of the foreigners, stateless people who breach the regulations and laws;
4. Issue the registration certificates of marriage between Lao citizens and aliens, foreigners and stateless people;
5. Exercise other rights and duties as specified in the regulations and laws.

Article 64 Responsibilities of Individuals and Legal Entities

Individuals and legal entities who are in connection with foreigners and stateless people have the following responsibilities:

1. Manage foreigners and stateless people who are in your

- responsibility from the date of their entry until the date of their departure from the Lao PDR;
2. Declare the list of foreigners and stateless people that are in your management to the public security sectors;
 3. Cooperate with the public security sectors in solving the issues of foreigners and stateless people who breach the regulations and laws;
 4. Have other responsibilities as stipulated in the regulations and laws.

CHAPTER 2

Inspection Authority of the Immigration and Foreigner Management Works of the Lao PDR

Article 65 Inspection Authority

Inspection authority consists of:

1. Internal Inspection Authority which is the same authority of the Immigration and Foreigner Management of the Lao PDR as specified in Article 59 of this law;
2. External Inspection Authority which is the Committee for Public Security-National Defense at central, provincial levels, and other authorities as specified in the relevant laws;

Article 66 Inspection Contents

The inspection has the following contents:

1. The officers' Implementation of rights and duties on the immigration and foreigner management works of the Lao PDR;
2. The implementation of policies and measures on the people who breach the Regulations and Laws on Immigration and Foreigner Management of the Lao PDR;
3. Other issues in relation to the immigration and foreigner management works of the Lao PDR.

Article 67 Inspection Outlines

The inspection consists of three following outlines:

1. Regularly planned inspection;
2. Off-plan inspection with advance notice;
3. Immediate inspection.

Regularly planned inspection is the inspection that follows the regular plan and timeframe.

Inspection with advance notice is an off-plan inspection by providing the inspected people with a notification in advance.

Immediate inspection is an impromptu inspection without providing the inspected people with a notification in advance.

The inspection on the immigration and foreigner management works of the Lao PDR shall strictly comply with the regulations and laws.

PART IX

Policies Towards Persons with Outstanding Achievements and Measures Against Violators

Article 68 Policies Towards Persons with Outstanding Achievements

Individuals, legal entities or organizations with prominent achievements in the implementation of this law will be awarded and entitled to other policies in accordance with the regulations.

Staff and police officers with prominent achievements in their task performance will be appropriately awarded, such as, heroic titles, bravery titles, medals, plaques, certificate of commendation, promotion, upgrade of functional titles, upgrade of knowledge and other policies in compliance with the stipulated laws and regulations.

Aliens, foreigners and stateless people with prominent achievements in the contribution of immigration and foreigner management works of the Lao PDR will be praised in accordance with the stipulated regulations.

Article 69 Measures Against Violators

Individuals, legal entities or organizations that breach this law, causing damages to society, life, health and property of others, affecting the national security and social orders will be educated, warned, disciplined, fined or prosecuted in compliance with the regulations and laws of the Lao PDR, based on minor or serious cases.

Article 70 Educational Measures

Individuals, legal entities or organizations whose breach on this law are minor, for instance, stay improperly, travel document is dirty, passport visa page is illegibly dirty, stay permit card or identity card is dirty, enter into restricted area without authorization, will be educated and warned.

Article 71 Disciplinary Measures

Any staff and officers who breaches this law, such as the prohibitions stipulated in Article 51 of this law which is considered minor, not criminal wrongdoing and resulting in minor losses but no sincerity in reporting, escaping their wrongdoing, shall be disciplinarily punished in accordance with the regulations.

Article 72 Fines Measures

Any individuals, legal entities or organizations who breach this law will be fined in the following cases:

1. Enter into and depart from the Lao PDR by using invalid travel documents;
2. Do not enter into and depart from the Lao PDR at the officially specified border checkpoints;
3. Use border pass and temporary pass beyond the authorized scopes;
4. Overstay the officially permitted duration;
5. Work beyond the officially authorized fields;
6. Run business or work without the authorization;
7. Wrongly rent, let the business license of Lao citizens, aliens;
8. Come to work for earnings without authorization or work in the career that the Government has reserved for Lao citizens;
9. Employ foreign, stateless laborers without labor visas, work permits and stay permits;
10. Have not declared the stay of foreigners and stateless people;
11. Have imported foreign laborers without management, and used them irrelevantly to the officially specified purposes;
12. Be engaged in marriage or de facto relationship or marriage without legal family registration;
13. Have an intention of hiding oneself in the Lao PDR;

The rate of fine of each case is specified in the separate regulations.

Article 73 Civil Measures

Any individuals, legal entities or organizations who breach this law,

resulting in loss of life, health and properties of others, of the Government or of collectives shall compensate for the incurred losses.

Article 74 Criminal Measures

Any individual who breaches this law, which is the criminal wrongdoing, shall be punished in line with the Penal Law and other criminal related penalty laws.

**PART X
Final Provisions**

Article 75 Implementation

The Government of the Lao People's Democratic Republic shall implement this law.

Article 76 Effectiveness

This law shall enter into force from the date the President of the Lao People's Democratic Republic has issued its promulgating decree and after fifteen days of its publication on the Lao Official Gazette.

Any provisions that contradict this law are null and void.

President of the National Assembly

[Seal and Signature]

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