

**Decree № 99 of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the
Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees of Georgia
Tbilisi August 16, 2012**

**On the approval of the ruling on the annual registration of Refugee and Humanitarian
Status holders**

Pursuant to Article 35 Para.2 (a) of the “Georgian Law on Refugee and Humanitarian Status” and the ruling of “the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees of Georgia” (Art. 4, Para. 2 (R)) adopted by government decree №34 on February 22, 2008:

I Order:

1. The Ruling on the Annual Registration of Refugees and Humanitarian Status Holders shall be approved pursuant to the Annex.
2. The decree enters into force upon its publication.

Minister

D.Khomeriki

Ruling on the Annual Registration of Refugees and Humanitarian Status Holders

Article 1. General Provisions

The annual registration of refugees or humanitarian status holders is implemented for the determination of the authenticity and accuracy of statistical data in the database of the Ministry of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees of Georgia. Also, its aim is to collect and update individual data (Including : birth, death, marriage/divorce, identification of persons with special needs, identification of risks, and the development of new methods of protection for persons in need of international protection)

Article 2. Registration

1. The annual Registration of Refugees and Humanitarian Status Holders is conducted by the Department of Migration, Repatriation and Refugee Issues, the Refugee and Repatriation Division (Hereinafter - the Division).
2. Based on the decree of the Minister of Internally Displaced Persons from the Occupied Territories, Accommodation and Refugees of Georgia (Hereinafter – the Minister), two months before the start of the registration period, for the preparation or organization of the registration proces, the working group for registration shall be created to conduct annual registration of refugees and humanitarian status holders.
3. The place of registration, deadlines, working group members and their rights and obligations, are determined by the decree of the Minister.
4. If a refugee or humanitarian status holder is unable to appear in person at the place of registration due to old age or severe illness, the working group personnel is obliged to conduct the registration at the place of residence of the refugee or humanitarian status holder or the place of registration set for that period of time.

Article 3. Obligations of Refugees or Humanitarian Status Holders

1. According to Article 19, paragraph 5 (c) of the Georgian Law on Refugee and Humanitarian Status, the recognized refugee or humanitarian status holder is required to undergo annual registration.
2. Within the timeframe announced preliminarily (inter alias through mass media), refugee or humanitarian status holders shall report to the place selected by the Ministry or local governmental bodies in order to conduct annual registration.
3. Refugee or humanitarian status holders are required to present a temporary resident permit in order to undergo the registration.
4. The social-economic guarantees of a person shall be suspended if he/she fails to undergo annual registration, or is he/she did not show up at the Ministry or presented valid reasons within 3 months after finishing the registration.

Article 4. Registration Results

1. Within one month after finishing the registration, the Division shall prepare a report on the results of registration. The Division is also required to prepare the list of people, who failed to undergo the annual registration within the established deadlines.
2. According to Article 3 Para 4 of the present ruling, if a refugee or humanitarian status holder fails to appear at the annual registration, the division shall decide to collect information regarding his/her whereabouts.
3. According to Article 22 of the “Georgian Law on Refugee and Humanitarian status” failing to undergo annual registration and not showing up without a valid reason, will cause the suspension of social-economic guarantees for refugees and humanitarian status holders.