



U.S. Mission, Kazakhstan



This message is distributed to you via the Message system of the U.S. Mission in Kazakhstan. Wardens, please distribute this message to all U.S. citizens in your warden zone.

Message for U.S. Citizens: Warden System Updates

The U.S. Mission in Kazakhstan is currently updating its warden system in order to ensure that our registration records are up to date. The warden system provides a reliable way to reach U.S. citizens in the event of an emergency, disaster, or threat, as well as distribute other important information to U.S. citizens as quickly as possible. U.S. citizens registered abroad are placed in various groups known as "zones" that are based upon geographic location, employment or other categories.

In order to ensure that the U.S. Mission in Kazakhstan is able to locate U.S. citizens in the event of an emergency, as well as to assist in the overall maintenance of the warden system, U.S. consular sections rely upon wardens, who are private citizen volunteers (either U.S. or foreign) that assist consular sections in disaster preparedness and resolution, registration of newcomers, welfare and whereabouts requests and disseminating information to the resident U.S. citizen community.

As we are currently updating our warden lists and zones, we are looking for volunteers who will be living in Kazakhstan for the next couple of years who may wish to serve as wardens. Persons interested in volunteering are encouraged to contact the U.S. Mission Kazakhstan. Those wishing to become wardens are required to sign a memorandum of agreement with the Consular Section.

U.S. citizens who are no longer living in Kazakhstan are encouraged to update their travel status in STEP (<https://step.state.gov/step/>) by identifying their departure date or sending their updated departure date to USAKZ@state.gov. This will help us accurately determine how many registered U.S. citizens currently reside in Kazakhstan. When registrants do not mark the departure date they will still be listed as registered in Kazakhstan and will continue to receive messages.

If you have additional questions, please call the U.S. Consulate General Almaty Consular Section at (727)-250-49-01 or send an inquiry to usakz@state.gov.

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