

Law of the Republic of Azerbaijan on Space activities

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Purpose of the law

- Emerging space activities
- Lack of comprehensive regulation;
- To establish legal base for space activities, protect members of space market, define the obligations, support research works and international cooperation

Structure of the Law

The law consist of:

- 7 chapters
- 25 articles

The following aspects of the space activities are regulated:

- State regulation
- Economical aspects
- Space objects and space infrastructure
- Security issues
- International cooperation

The principles of space activity

• Use of space for peaceful purposes;

• Protecting national interests;

• Ensuring implementation of international treaties the Republic of Azerbaijan has joined;

State regulation of space activities

State regulation of space activities is carried out in the following directions:

- The licensing of space activities
- Certification of space technology
- State registry of space objects

Registry of space objects

- Space objects are included in the Registry in accordance with the international treaties Azerbaijan has joined;
- Azerbaijan shall retain jurisdiction over such space objects;
- Information on space objects included in the Registry shall be submitted to UN in accordance with international treaties.

Liability issues

- To control state's possible liability sale or otherwise disposal of space objects is subject to special permit
- To regulate liability issues between players of space activities, 3rd party liability insurance is made mandatory
- In special cases insurance of space objects may be required (TBD by appropriate legislator)

General provisions

- The law clearly expresses the followings as the most important values Azerbaijan intends to hold
 - ✓ Peaceful and sustainable use of space resources
 - ✓ Protection of outer space
 - ✓ Establishment of mutual interests and equal opportunities
 - Enabling use of space technology, especially for emerging countries

General provisions

Some other topics covered by the law:

- The environmental security
- Protection of confidential information (state or private)
- Handling of very high resolution images
- Archiving of satellite data
- Use of radiofrequencies
- De-orbiting of space objects



Thank you for attention