

The State Sub-Agency Department of Environmental Supervision of Georgia

Legislative and Institutional Set-up

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In the field of environmental protection and use of natural resources, the state control system is based on the following legal acts:

- Constitution of Georgia (1995);
- Law of Georgia Environmental Protection (1997);
- Law of Georgia Licenses and Permits (2005);
- Law of Georgia Environmental Assessment Code (2017);
- Law of Georgia Waste Management Code (2015);
- Law of Georgia Ambient Air Protection (1999);
- Law of Georgia About Water (1997);
- Code of Administrative Offenses of Georgia (1984);
- Criminal Law Code of Georgia (1999);
- Law of Georgia Environmental Liability (2021)
- International treaties and agreements of Georgia, including Based on the Association Agreement between Georgia and the European Union - Article 302

Legislative Framework

By-law normative acts:

- Regulations of the Department of Environmental Supervision (2013)
- Rules for State Control by the Department of Environmental Supervision (2015)

State Control in the field of Environmental Protection



Role and functions of the Department

- Protection of ambient air, water, land, subsoil and biodiversity;
- Compliance with requirements of forest legislation;
- Control of use of natural resources;
- Waste management control;
- State control in the field of use of living genetically modified organisms (GMO);
- Control of illegal trade in endangered species of wild fauna and flora;

- Control of the conditions of issued licenses (except mineral extraction licenses), permits, environmental decisions;
- Control of compliance with the qualitative norm of motor fuel;
- Control of the production of plastic and/or biodegradable bags;
- Control of devices working on refrigerants and ozonedepleting substances.
- (Control of vehicle emissions from 2023)

Organization of activities



Environmental Patrolling

Environmental Patrolling and Urgent Response Division Staff



24-hour patrolling

Competence

- Unhindered inspection of natural resource extraction or primary processing sites;
- Determining the compliance of natural resources with documents confirming the legality of using/transporting natural resources; Inspection of extracted natural resources;
- Drawing up a protocol of administrative offenses;
- Confiscation/sealing of crime tools;
- > Administrative detention, use of coercive measures;

Inspection

Inspector

Inspection of regulation objects

Competence

- Inspection of regulated objects (inspection, scheduled, unscheduled inspection);
- Taking laboratory samples/conducting measurements;
- Drawing up/reviewing/issuing a decision on an administrative offense protocol;
- Determining the damage caused to the environment, requesting compensation for the damage;
- Sending the materials of the criminal case to the investigative body;
- Submission of administrative correspondence;

Objects of regulation

Environmental technical regulations

Environmental decision

> **Wood processing** workshops

> > for timber production

Special license

12

License to use for the purpose of export (Abies, Galanthus, Cyclamen)

24

Special license for hunting

16

Special fishing license

16







781









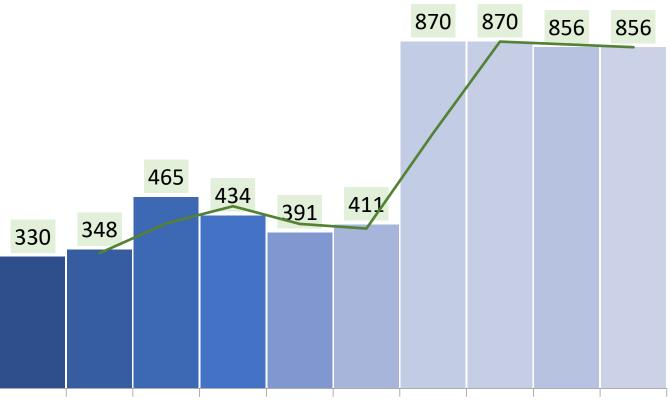








Number of Staff of the Department



2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022

A total of 120 inspectors, including - 86 men, 34 women (40%)

estanna Total - 856 staff units The Department of **Environmental** Central unit – 141 Supervision Territorial bodies- 715 **Head of the Department Deputy Head Deputy Head Deputy Head Chief State Inspector** Administration **Environmental Economical Service** Integrated **Industrial Emissions Legal Service Biodiversity Patrolling and Analytical Service** Internal Control Environment and Waste Control **Urgent Response Control Service Division Control Service** Service Division 22 13 14 14 14 26 17



Kakheti Regional Division 96

Kvemo Kartli Regional Division 74 Western Regional
Division
153

Eastern Regional
Division
114

Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti Regional Division 97

Adjara and Guria Regional Division 101 Samtskhe-Javakheti Regional Division 64

Concessional Division of the Black Sea Protection 16

Territorial Units (7 Regional Division and 1Convencional Division of the Black Sea Protection)







Office constructions

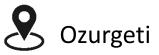








Construction projects



Budget

