



**NATIONAL BANK  
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*On issue of the commemorative coins “Nauryz Holiday”  
of “Customs, National Games of Kazakhstan” series of  
coins*

The National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan announces the issue, effective from 20 March 2012, of the commemorative coins “Nauryz Holiday” of “Customs, National Games of Kazakhstan” series of coins. Coins of the face value of KZT 500 are of “proof” quality and made of silver; coin of the face value of KZT 50 are made of a nickel-silver alloy.

The silver coin and nickel-silver coin have identical images of the obverse and reverse. Image on the silver coin of “proof” quality is disposed on the mirrored surface.

In the central part of the face (obverse) of coin there is the emblem of the Republic of Kazakhstan against the background of ornamental pattern. In the lower part there is a figure (“500” on a silver coin and “50” on a nickel-silver coin) and inscription “TENGE”, which denotes the coin nominal value. In the left and right sectors of the coins there is a mirrored element of the national ornament. On full-circle there is inscription “ҚАЗАҚСТАН РЕСПУБЛИКАСЫ” (KAZAKSTAN RESPUBLIKASY”) in the state language and “РЕСПУБЛИКА КАЗАХСТАН” (REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN”) in the Russian language. The inscriptions are separated by dots.

On the back side (reverse) of the coins there is an image of a stylized yurt shanyrak as a symbol of the house, which unifies under its roof the multiple nations of Kazakhstan, who celebrate the national holiday of spring – Nauryz Meiramy. In the upper part, on full-circle there is inscription “Nauryz Meiramy” in the state language. In the right part there is a fragment of a rim, number “2012”, denoting the year of mintage, and the trademark of Kazakhstan mint. In the left part there is a fragment of a rim (on a silver coin, in the left part there is inscription “Ag 925 31.1g” which denotes the metal of which a coin is made, its fineness and weight).



The images and inscriptions on the obverse and reverse of the coins are relief.

The commemorative coins are made of:

- 1) sterling silver, weight – 31.1 gram, diameter - 38,61 mm, quality of manufacture – “proof”, mintage - 4 thousand, lateral surface (gurt) is grooved;
- 2) nickel-silver alloy, diameter - 31 mm, weight – 11.17 gram, mintage – 300 thousand, lateral surface (gurt) is grooved.

Nauryz Meiramy” commemorative coins are the seventh pair of coins made of silver and nickel-silver alloy, which continue the series “Customs, National Games of Kazakhstan” aimed at extension of understanding of the rites and national culture of Kazakh people.

Nauryz has been celebrated in the eastern countries for more than five thousand years as a holiday of spring coming, a symbol of the nature renewal, beginning of a new life, symbol of love and beauty.

Commemorative coins are made at the Republican State Enterprise on the Right of Economic Management “Kazakhstan Mint of the National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan”.

The coins are designed in accordance with the Concept of Design of Banknotes and Coins of the National Currency – Kazakhstani Tenge approved by the Decree No. 1193 of 25 September 2003 of the President of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

The commemorative coins of “proof” quality are intended for sale at the collection value. They are produced in a souvenir package and are attached with a numbered certificate of quality of the National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan in the state, Russian and English languages.

One thousand of commemorative nickel-silver coins are brilliant uncirculated and packed in special thermal vacuum wraps for sale.

Commemorative coins of face value of KZT 500 and 50 are mandatory for acceptance at their face value throughout the Republic of Kazakhstan for all types of payments as well as for credit to the accounts, placement on deposits, for letters of credit and for money transfers; they are changed and exchanged without limitation in all banks of the Republic of Kazakhstan.

Coins may be purchased in all branches of the National Bank of the Republic of Kazakhstan. In Almaty coins can be purchased at 98 Panfilov Street. Telephone for reference: (727) 273-83-98.

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