

Armenia's 30% Gender Quota for Parliamentary Candidate Lists (Electoral Code, 2016)

Gender Equality · Good practice · Armenia

Quality score: 63/100

Evidence strength: Moderate

Summary

Armenia's 2016 Electoral Code caps either sex at 70% of a party's list and requires gender alternation every 3 names. The floor rose to 30% for the 2021 election; women's parliamentary seats rose from 24% to 38.3% (41/107), above the 27.1% global average.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	2/3
Impact on gender equality	1/1
Effectiveness	1/1
Efficiency	0/1
Evaluated outcomes	1/1
Sustainability	1/1
Achievement / evidence	1/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	0/1
Curator validation	0/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

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