The department, in accordance with the tasks assigned to it, performs the following functions:

- 1) functions of industry policy:
- carries out, in accordance with the established procedure, cooperation in interstate government bodies and international organizations on issues within the competence of the Department, in the manner and in cases provided for by the relevant regulatory legal acts of the Kyrgyz Republic and international treaties that have entered into force in accordance with the legislation of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- in accordance with the procedure established by law, develops and submits to the Ministry draft normative legal acts on issues within the competence of the Department;
- summarizes the practice of applying the legislation of the Kyrgyz Republic on issues within the competence of the Department, develops proposals for its improvement;
- implements a unified state policy in the field of tourism;
- develops mechanisms of state support for tourism;
- develops and participates in the development of conceptual and strategic documents in the field of tourism, including a tourism marketing strategy;
- studies the conditions of the global tourism market and makes proposals for improving the tourism sector in accordance with the established procedure;
- conducts a comprehensive analysis and forecasting of the main trends and directions of tourism development;
- analyzes the state of tourist flows;
- carries out an analysis of the quality of services provided by subjects of tourism activities;
- prepares and creates a documentation project base that helps attract grants, technical, donor and sponsorship assistance to the tourism sector;
- develops proposals for the conservation of tourism resources, including natural complexes and historical and cultural sites on the territory of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- develops proposals for cooperation and participation of the Kyrgyz Republic in international events in the field of tourism within its competence;
- develops and promotes tourism cooperation at local and international levels;
- implements international agreements on cooperation in areas within the competence of the Department;
- carries out functions to expand interaction with international organizations, and also, within the limits of its competence, takes part in relevant events;

- develops and submits for approval to the supervising Deputy Chairman of the Cabinet of Ministers of the Kyrgyz Republic plans for tourist seasons in agreement with the Minister of Economy and Commerce of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- 2) functions of coordination, monitoring and control:
- coordinates the implementation of a unified state policy on the integrated development of the tourism sector;
- carries out intersectoral and interregional coordination of the activities of executive authorities to formulate state policy in the field of tourism;
- monitors the activities of tourism organizations;
- in the prescribed manner, interacting directly with other state bodies, self-government bodies, industry organizations and institutions, exercises control over their tourism activities and the implementation of targets established in the field of tourism;
- interacts with relevant government bodies, local governments and non-governmental structures on issues within the competence of the Department;
- 3) support functions:
- carries out the preparation and distribution of information and analytical materials on issues within the competence of the Department;
- provides information and administrative support to public tourist associations during tourism events;
- develops educational, marketing events and commercials that promote the tourism potential of the Kyrgyz Republic;
- provides methodological and advisory assistance to subjects in the tourism sector;
- promotes the interests of domestic tourism organizations in other countries;
- establishes connections and carries out joint research and educational activities in the area of tourism with national and international organizations;
- maintains a unified register of objects and subjects of tourism activities;
- develops and approves a classification by type of tourism;
- in accordance with the established procedure, establishes and awards departmental awards (badges, awards, certificates) to particularly distinguished employees of the Department, as well as other citizens who contribute to the fulfillment of the tasks of the Department;
- signs memorandums, contracts, agreements, protocols and other documents on cooperation within the competence of the Department.

The department also carries out other functions in accordance with the legislation of the Kyrgyz Republic in the field of tourism.