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Visa Support Guidance

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Entry rules to the Russian Federation

In accordance with the Decree of the Government of the Russian Federation No. 1267 of 14 July 2022, "On the Invalidation of Certain Acts and Certain Provisions of Acts of the Government of the Russian Federation", the Decree of the Government of the Russian Federation No. 635-d of 16 March 2020, whereby epidemiologically determined temporary restrictions on entry into the Russian Federation of foreign citizens and apatrides were introduced, was declared invalid.

All categories of the mentioned citizens and persons may enter the Russian Federation with valid identity documents and recognized by the Russian Federation in this capacity, and with a visa, unless otherwise provided by international treaties of the Russian Federation, through automobile, air, rail, sea, pedestrian, river and mixed checkpoints across the state border of the Russian Federation regardless of the purpose of the trip.

According to the Decree of the Chief Sanitary Doctor of the Russian Federation No. 13 of July 07, 2020, from July 15, 2020, mandatory quarantine for 14 days has been canceled for both foreign citizens and citizens of the Russian Federation.

According to the resolution of the Chief State Sanitary Doctor of the Russian Federation of 17.10.2022 N 22 "On amendments to the resolution of the Chief State Sanitary Doctor of the Russian Federation of 18.03.2020 N 7 "On ensuring the isolation regime in order to prevent the spread of COVID-19", from October 21, 2022:

- for foreign citizens and stateless persons traveling to the Russian Federation by any means of transport, the requirement to present a negative result of a PCR test when boarding an airplane and crossing the State Border of the Russian Federation has been canceled;
- for citizens of the Russian Federation returning to the country by any means of transport, the requirement to undergo PCR testing within three calendar days upon arrival and to observe the isolation regime until its results are received has been canceled.

Important visa information

Which type of Russian Visa do I need?

BUSINESS VISA TO THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

If you are attending the Exhibition as an exhibitor or expect to undertake business activities whilst there, we recommend that you travel on a Business Visa.

TOURIST VISA TO THE RUSSIAN FEDERATION

If you have not received an official invitation from the Ministry of Internal Affairs, you may apply for a tourist visa.

Please note: The event organiser is not responsible for providing any documentation you may require to obtain your visa.

Remember to give yourself enough time to obtain your visa.

Depending upon your nationality this can take up to 8 weeks.

Obtaining a Russian visa

Step 1. Obtaining a Visa invitation

Step 2. Applying for a Visa at the Russian Consulate / Visa Centre in the country of your residency

Documents required for an invitation

1. A clear color scanned copy of your passport

2. Completed Visa support order form

3. A Support letter from the applicant's employer

(an additional document for some nationalities)

4. Other documents that might be requested by the Russian MFA.

Documents required to apply for a visa in the Russian Consulate or Visa Centre

1. Completed Russian Online visa application form:

www.visa.kdmid.ru

2. Passport hard copy

(valid for a minimum of 6 months beyond the exit date from Russia and have a minimum of 2 clear pages)

3. One color passport-type photo

(the photo should measure 45mm x 35mm and be no more than 3 months old)

4. Additional documents

E.g. proof of residence, travel insurance, etc.

(please check the exact list with the Russian Consulate in your country)

E-Visa

Subject to the Government Order № 2040-p dated 29 July 2023 “On amendments to the list of countries’ citizens entitled to the electronic visa” and the Government Order № 2571-p “On the list of countries’ citizens entitled to the electronic visa” the 64 states entitled to electronic visa shall be as follows:

Austria, Barbados, Bahrain, Belgium, Bulgaria, Bhutan, Cambodia, China (including Taiwan), Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Eswatini, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, India, Indonesia, Iran, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Jordan, Kenya, The Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Kuwait, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malaysia, Malta, Mexico, Monaco, Myanmar, Netherlands, North Macedonia, Norway, Oman, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Saint Lucia, San Marino, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Tonga, Trinidad and Tobago, Turkmenistan, Türkiye, Vatican, Vietnam, Zimbabwe.

The unified e-visa entitles you to enter the Russian Federation and stay in the Russian Federation for private or business visit, tourism, as well as for participating in scientific, cultural, socio-political, economic, sporting events and carrying out relevant communications and contacts.

To fill in e-visa application form, please, use **the link**
To check the status of your application, please, use **the link**

E-Visa

- E-visa applicants are not required to submit an invitation letter, hotel booking confirmation or any other document confirming the purpose of their travel to the Russian Federation.
- Foreign citizens arriving in the Russian Federation on the basis of a unified e-visa have the right to freedom of movement within the entire territory of the Russian Federation, except for visits to territories, organisations and facilities to which a special permit is required in accordance with federal laws.

E-Visa

- E-visa may be only a **single-entry visa**
- E-visa is valid **60 days** since issuance
- With E-visa you may stay in Russia **no more than 16 days** since entering the Russian Federation
- Foreign citizens staying in Russia using E-visa are required to have a **medical insurance policy** valid on the territory of the Russian Federation for the entire period of stay

E-Visa

To receive an e-visa you will need the following documents:

- **Valid international passport** (the passport should expire earlier than 6 months from the date of expiry of the visa)
- **Personal data page passport scan** (in JPEG format)
- **Biometric photo 35mm x 45mm**. The face must be clearly depicted in full, on a light background, without glasses with darkened glasses and without a headdress (except for citizens who, due to their national or religious affiliation, are depicted in a headdress in the passport photo)

E-Visa

Procedure

- **Fill in the form on the web-site of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.** You can apply no earlier than 40 days and no later than 4 days before the expected date of entry into Russia
- Pay the fee ($40). You may make the payment using **the MFA website** or the MFA app
- It will take up to 4 days to issue a visa.

NOTE! Any minor shall be subject to their own e-visa.

E-Visa



1. FILL IN AN E–VISA

application form

2. MAKE THE PAYMENT

3. GET AN E–VISA

grant notification on the website or by email

4. PRINT OUT THE NOTIFICATION

or download it to your mobile device

5. SHOW THE NOTIFICATION

to a transport company employee

6. SHOW THE NOTIFICATION

to a Border Service officer at the border crossing point

E-Visa

E-visa is valid only for entry and leaving the Russian Federation through crossing checkpoints approved by the Government of the Russian Federation:

air checkpoints: «Vladivostok (Knevichy Airport)», «Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk (Khomutovo Airport)», «Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky (Yelizovo Airport)», «Khabarovsk (Novy Airport)», «Anadyr (Ugolny Airport)», «Kaliningrad (Khrabrovo)», «Ulan-Ude (Muhino)», «Chita (Kadala)», «Pulkovo», «Belgorod», «Volgograd (Gumrak)», «Ekaterinburg (Koltsovo)», «Kazan», «Krasnodar (Pashkovsky)», «Krasnoyarsk (Yemelyanovo)», «Moscow (Vnukovo)», «Moscow (Domodedovo)», «Moscow (Sheremetyevo)», «Nizhny Novgorod (Strigino)», «Novosibirsk (Tolmachevo)», «Rostov-on-Don (Platov)», «Samara (Kurumoch)», «Sochi», «Irkutsk», «Chelyabinsk (Balandino)», «Arkhangelsk (Talagi)», «Astrakhan (Narimanovo)», «Bryansk», «Vladikavkaz (Beslan)», «Grozny (North)», «Zhukovskiy», «Kaluga (Grabtsevo)», «Lipetsk», «Makhachkala (Uytash)», «Mineralnye Vody», «Murmansk», «Nalchik», «Saratov (Gagarin)», «Syktyvkar», «Tomsk (Bogashevo)», «Yaroslavl (Tunoshna)», «Abakan», «Barnaul», «Kemerovo», «Omsk (Tsentral'nyy)», «Orenburg (Tsentral'nyy)», «Perm (Bol'shoe Savino)», «Tyumen (Roshchino)», «Ulyanovsk (Vostochny)», «Ufa», «Cheboksary»;

railroad checkpoints: «Pogranichny», «Khasan», «Makhalino», «Mamonovo», «Sovetsk», «Saint Petersburg - Finlyandskiy», «Zabaikal'sk», «Naushki»;

naval checkpoints: «Vladivostok», «Zarubino», «Posiet», «Korsakov», «Petropavlovsk-Kamchatsky», «Kaliningrad (checkpoints in the cities of Kaliningrad and Svetly)», «Vysotsk», «Big port Saint Petersburg (Marine Station, Fort Constantin, English Embankment and Lieutenant Schmidt Embankment)», «Passenger port Saint Petersburg», «Sochi (International Center for Sea Passenger and Cruise Transportation)», «Magadan», «Nikolayevsk-on-Amur»;

automobile checkpoints: «Poltavka», «Turiy Rog», «Bagrationovsk», «Gusev», «Mamonovo (Grzechotki)», «Mamonovo (Gronowo)», «Morskoje», «Pogranichny», «Sovetsk» , «Chernyshevskoye», «Ivangorod», «Torfjanovka», «Brusnitchnoe», «Svetogorsk», «Kyakhta», «Ubylinka», «Burachki», «Vyartsilya», «Kunichina Gora», «Shumilkino», «Verkhny Lars», «Lyuttya», «Solov'evsk», «Starotsurukhaitui»;

pedestrian checkpoint: «Ivangorod»;

river checkpoint: «Khabarovsk»;

mixed checkpoints: «Blagoveshchensk», «Amurzet», «Pokrovka».

Tourist visa

To obtain a tourist visa, an applicant must file the following documents to be filed to the consulate or the embassy of the Russian Federation:

- Valid passport
- Filled visa application form (**https://visa.kdmid.ru/**)
- Two photos (coloured or black-and-white, 35mm x 45mm)
- Consulate fee (depending on the embassy you are filing the documents)
- A tourist voucher from the hotel that has received accreditation and is listed in the federal list of tour operators.

Tourist visa

Hotels in Moscow that provide tourist vouchers

- Hotel PETER I 5*
- Golden Ring Hotel 5*, prebooking required + passport copy needed
- Chekhoff Hotel 5* , prepayment required
- Metropol 5*, prebooking required + passport copy needed
- Hotel Kadashevskaya 4*
- PENTAHOTEL ARBAT 4*, a voucher cost is 1,500 RUB ($15,62)
- Radisson Slavyanskaya 4*, if the booking is confirmed, the voucher is free of charge; without booking it will cost 3,600 RUB ($37,48)
- GreenWood Hotel 4*, a tourist voucher will be issued depending on the citizenship of the guest
- Aquarium Hotel 3*

Business visa

To apply for a business visa, the following documents shall be filed to the consulate or the embassy of the Russian Federation:

- Valid passport
- Filled visa application form (**https://www.kdmid.ru/cons/visas/#docs**)
- Two photos (coloured or black-and-white, 3,5x4,5 cm)
- **An official invitation from the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Russian Federation**

NOTE! The process of receiving such an invitation takes up to 30 days, so, please, start the process 2-3 months in advance

A hosting organisation will require the following information to prepare an invitation:

- Your entry date to Russia, your departure date from Russia
- Clear copy of the applicant's passport
- The applicant's place of work (the name of the organisation, exact address)
- The place of the applicant's accommodation in Russia

For more information, please click **here**.

Business visa

After the business invitation is granted by the Russian MFA, it will be sent directly from Moscow to the relevant Russian Consulate abroad. A copy will be emailed to the applicant. Once the Russian Consulate receives it from Moscow, the applicant can apply for the visa at the Russian Consulate.

An invitation issued to all **EU nationals** by an authorised Russian company is accepted by Russian Consulates abroad. An original hard copy might be required to be delivered from Moscow; hence the visa application process might take longer. Please check with your local Consulate for all visa requirements.

All visa supported documents are issued on the assumption that you will be entering Russia via a Moscow airport. If not, additional documents might be required.

Visa-Russian.ru

The official partner of ITE, Visa-Russia.ru helps foreign corporate clients in obtaining invitations and visas to Russia. Visa-Russian.ru has direct contact with the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Russian Federation and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

On their **website**, you can submit an application for an invitation for different types of visas and learn about the procedure and arrangements.

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