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**REGULATION**  
**of Admission of Foreign Citizens and Stateless Persons to**  
**the Federal State Autonomous Educational Institution of Higher Education**  
**Pirogov Russian National Research Medical University under the Authority**  
**of the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation**  
**in the Academic Year 2020/2021**

**I. General Provisions**

1. This Regulation defines the conditions for organizing and conducting admission to the Federal State Autonomous Educational Institution of Higher Education Pirogov Russian National Research Medical University under the Authority of the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation (hereinafter – "the University") for Bachelor, Specialist, Master, Residency and Postgraduate Programs of the following persons:

a) Citizens of foreign states (hereinafter - "foreign citizens") – individuals who are not recognized as citizens of the Russian Federation and have proof of citizenship (nationality) of a foreign state (citizens of the Russian Federation who have other citizenship are considered as citizens of the Russian Federation in the territory of the Russian Federation, except for certain cases stipulated by international treaties or legislation of the Russian Federation);

b) Stateless persons – individuals who are not recognized as citizens of the Russian Federation and do not have proof of citizenship (nationality) of a foreign state;

c) Foreign citizens and stateless persons who are compatriots permanently living abroad:

- Persons and their descendants living outside the territory of the Russian Federation who as a rule relate to people historically living in the territory of the Russian Federation, as well as those who have freely chosen the spiritual, cultural and legal connections with the Russian Federation, and whose direct ascendant relatives previously lived in the territory of the Russian Federation, including:

- Persons who were citizens of the USSR, who live in the States that were part of the USSR, who received citizenship of these States or became stateless persons;
- Natives of/emigrants from the Russian State, the Russian Republic, the RSFSR, the USSR and the Russian Federation who had the respective citizenship and became citizens of a foreign state or stateless persons.

2. This Regulation has been developed in accordance with:

- Federal Law, *On Education in the Russian Federation*, No. 273-FZ of 29 December 2012;
- Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, *On Approval of the Procedure for Admission to Higher Education Programs - Bachelor, Specialty, and Master's Degree Programs*, No. 1147 of 14 October 2015 (hereinafter – “the Admission Procedure”);
- Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, *On Approval of the Procedure for Admission to Higher Education Programs - Postgraduate Study Programs for Training Scientific and Pedagogical Personnel*, No. 13 of 12 January 2017;
- Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, *On Amendments to the Procedure for Admission to Higher Education Programs - Postgraduate Study Programs for Training Scientific and Pedagogical Personnel Approved by the Order of the Ministry of Education and Science No. 13 of 12 January 2017*, No. 23 of 11 January 2018;
- Order of the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation, *On Approval of the Procedure for Admission to Higher Education Programs – Residency Degree Programs*, No. 212n of 11 May 2017;
- Order of the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation, *On Approval of Qualification Requirements for Medical and Pharmaceutical Personnel with Higher Education under Health and Medical Sciences Training Programs*, No. 707n of 8 October 2015;
- Order of the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation, *On Approval of the Regulations on Accreditation of Specialists*, No. 334n of 02 June 2016;
- Order of the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation, *On Approval of Terms and Procedure for Issuing Certificate of Specialist to Medical and Pharmaceutical Personnel, and of the Form of and Technical Requirements for Certificate of Specialist*, No.982n of 29 November 2012;
- Order of the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation, *On Approval of Terms and Stages of Accreditation of Specialists, and of Categories of Persons Who Have Medical, Pharmaceutical or Other Education and Specialists Subject to Accreditation*, No.1043n of 22 December 2017;
- Federal Law, *On Citizenship of the Russian Federation*, No. 62-FZ of 31 May 2002;

- Federal Law, *On the Legal Status of Foreign Citizens in the Russian Federation*, No. 115-FZ of 25 July 2002;
- Federal Law, *On Migration Registration of Foreign Citizens and Stateless Persons in the Russian Federation*, No. 109-FZ of 18 July 2006;
- Federal Law, *On Procedure for Exit from the Russian Federation and Entry into the Russian Federation*, No. 114-FZ of 15 August 1996;
- International agreements on cooperation in the field of education;
- International agreements on mutual recognition of educational certificates;
- Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation, *On Establishing Quotas for Education of Foreign Citizens and Stateless Persons in the Russian Federation*, No. 891 of 8 October 2013;
- Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, *On Amendments to the Procedure for Selecting Foreign Citizens and Stateless Persons to Study According to the Quotas Established by the Government of the Russian Federation for Education of Foreign Citizens and Stateless Persons in the Russian Federation*, Approved by Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation No. 844 of 28 July 2014, No. 248 of 17 March 2015;
- Federal Law, *On the State Policy of the Russian Federation in Relation to Compatriots Abroad*, No. 99-FZ of 24 May 1999;
- Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, *On Specifics of Admission to Higher Education Programs – Bachelor, Specialty, and Master’s Degree Programs, and Postgraduate Programs for Training Scientific and Pedagogical Personnel for Academic Year 2020/2021*, No.726 of 15 June 2020;
- Rules for Admission to Higher Education Programs - Bachelor, Specialty, and Master Programs – at the Federal State Autonomous Educational Institution of Higher Education Pirogov Russian National Research Medical University under the Authority of the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation (Pirogov RNRMU of the Ministry of Health of Russia) for Academic Year 2020/2021;
- Rules for Admission to Higher Education Programs - Residency Programs – at the Federal State Autonomous Educational Institution of Higher Education Pirogov Russian National Research Medical University under the Authority of the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation (Pirogov RNRMU of the Ministry of Health of Russia) for Academic Year 2020/2021;
- Rules for Admission to Higher Education Programs - Postgraduate Programs for Training Scientific and Pedagogical Personnel – at the Federal State Autonomous Educational Institution of Higher Education Pirogov Russian National Research Medical University under the Authority of the Ministry of Health of the Russian Federation (Pirogov RNRMU of the Ministry of Health of Russia) for Academic Year 2020/2021 (hereinafter – Rules of Admission).

3. Admission of foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, to higher education programs – Bachelor, Specialty, and Master Programs, Postgraduate Programs for Training Scientific and Pedagogical Personnel, and Residency Programs shall be implemented at the expense of Federal budget allocations (including

within the quota established by the Government of the Russian Federation for the education of foreign citizens in the Russian Federation), as well as at the expense of individuals and legal entities in accordance with contracts for the provision of fee-based educational services.

4. The following persons shall be eligible for admission to higher education programs **at the expense of the Federal budget allocations:**

4.1. According to paragraph 134 of the Admission Procedure, foreign citizens and stateless persons who are compatriots living abroad shall have the right to higher education at the expense of budget allocations on an equal basis with citizens of the Russian Federation, provided they comply with the requirements set forth in Article 17 of the Federal Law, *On the State Policy of the Russian Federation in Relation to Compatriots Abroad*, No. 99-FZ of 24 May 1999, namely: submission of documents or other evidence confirming, respectively, the citizenship of the USSR, citizenship or lack thereof at the time of presentation - for persons being the former citizens of the USSR; residence in the past in the territory of the Russian State, the Russian Republic, the RSFSR, the USSR or the Russian Federation, the respective citizenship when leaving this territory and citizenship or lack thereof at the time of presentation - for natives (emigrants); direct kinship in the ascending line with the specified persons - for descendants of compatriots; residence abroad - for all specified persons.

4.2. Foreign citizens eligible for admission to higher education programs at the expense of budget allocations in accordance with international agreements of the Russian Federation and federal laws:

- Citizens of the Republic of Belarus, the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Kyrgyz Republic and the Republic of Tajikistan (in accordance with the Agreement on granting equal rights to citizens of the States Parties to the Treaty on the deepening of integration in economic and humanitarian fields of 29 March 1996 for admission to educational institutions, of 24 November 1998);

- Citizens of the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Uzbekistan, Ukraine, the Republic of Moldova, Turkmenistan, the Republic of Georgia, and Azerbaijan permanently residing in the territory of the Russian Federation (having permit for residence in the Russian Federation) (in accordance with: the Agreement on cooperation in the field of education of 15 May 1992, signed in Tashkent; the Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of the Republic of Georgia on cooperation in the field of culture, science and education of 3 February 1994, signed in Tbilisi; the Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of Turkmenistan on cooperation in the field of culture, education and science of 18 May 1995; and the Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of the Republic of Armenia on cooperation in the field of higher education and science of 11 January 1993);

4.3. Foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, who have been selected for training within the quota established by the Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation.

Admission of citizens specified in sub-paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2. of paragraph 4 for education at the expense of the Federal budget allocations, according to the admission

target indicators, shall be carried out on a competitive basis unless otherwise stipulated by the legislation of the Russian Federation.

Admission of foreign citizens specified in sub-paragraph 4.3 of paragraph 4, within the quota for education of foreign citizens, shall be carried out in accordance with the appointments to training made by the Federal Executive Authority responsible for the development of state policy and regulation in the field of education.

5. According to paragraph 135 of the Admission Procedure, compatriots living abroad who are not citizens of the Russian Federation shall not have special rights for admission to Bachelor's Degree and Specialty Programs granted in accordance with Federal Law No. 273-FZ, unless otherwise stipulated by an international agreement of the Russian Federation.

6. Admission of foreign citizens to study **under contracts for the provision of fee-based educational services** by individuals and (or) legal entities shall be carried out within the number of fee-based openings under contracts as established by the University annually.

## II. Admissions Timeline

7. Admission application by foreign citizens and stateless persons to study under the Bachelor's Degree and Specialty Programs for the first year shall be carried out according to the following timeline:

7.1. For foreign citizens who are eligible for admission to higher education programs at the expense of Federal budget allocations (sub-paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2) within the timeframes established for citizens of the Russian Federation by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation:

- a) Submission of application documents starts on **20 June**;
- b) Deadline for submission of required documents by applicants for admission to state-funded places, within the target limits, based on results of the entrance tests conducted by the University independently is **31 July 2020**;
- c) Deadline for submission of required documents by applicants for admission based on the results of the unified state exam (hereinafter – the USE) is **18 August 2020**.

7.2. The acceptance of documents from foreign citizens specified in sub-paragraph 4.3. of paragraph 4 and enrollment of such foreign citizens shall be carried out within the timeframes determined by the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation.

7.3. When admitting foreign citizens and stateless persons to openings **under contracts for the provision of fee-based educational services** to study under the Bachelor's Degree and Specialty Programs, the University shall independently allocate the number of openings for foreign citizens and stateless persons and conduct a separate competition for these openings. Timeframes of documents acceptance, entrance tests and enrollment shall be established by the decision of the University.

7.3.1 The timeline of admission application by **foreign citizens and stateless persons, applying for study in the Russian language** (sub-paragraphs 4.1, 4.2):

- a) Submission of application documents starts on **20 June**;

b) Deadline for submission of required documents by applicants for admission to state-funded places, within the target limits, based on results of the entrance tests conducted by the University independently is **31 July 2020**;

c) Deadline for submission of required documents by applicants for admission based on the results of the unified state exam (hereinafter – the USE) is **27 August 2020**

7.3.2. The timeline of admission application by **foreign citizens and stateless persons, applying for study with use of an intermediate language**:

a) Submission mission of application documents starts on **20 June**;

b) Deadline for submission of documents required by applicants for admission based on results of the entrance tests conducted by the University independently is **15 October 2020**.

8. The timeline of admission application by foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, to openings **under contracts for the provision of fee-based educational services** to study under higher education programs – **Master's Degree Programs** - is as follows:

a) Submission of application documents starts on **20 June**;

b) Deadline for submission of required documents by applicants for admission based on results of the entrance tests conducted by the University independently – **31 July 2020**.

9. The timeline of admission application by foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, to study under higher education programs – **Residency Programs** - is as follows:

a) Submission of documents required for admission starts on **6 July 2020**;

b) Deadline for submission of documents required for admission is **10 August 2020**.

10. The timeline of admission application by foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, to study under higher education programs – **Postgraduate Programs for Training Scientific and Pedagogical Personnel** - is as follows:

a) Submission of documents required for admission starts on **20 June 2020**;

b) Deadline for submission of documents required for admission, including originals of specialist's or master's degree diplomas, is **27 August 2020**.

### **III. Acceptance of Documents**

11. Admission of foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots, to the Pirogov RNRMU shall be carried out on their application submitted exclusively using remote technologies. The admission application by foreign citizens or stateless persons shall be submitted in Russian. Documents required for admission shall be submitted (sent) to the organization in electronic format (paper documents converted into electronic format by scanning or photographing subject to ensuring machine-readable recognition of their details). Interaction with applicants when they submit an admission application via the organization's electronic information system, including the rejection of an admission

application in case of incomplete set of documents or false information, the submission of an application for refusal to enroll, the organization's own entrance tests, and consideration of appeals, shall be carried out using remote technologies. After the acceptance of documents and generation of a personal file, a notification (receipt) of documents acceptance or a notification of refusal to accept documents shall be sent to applicants (their authorized persons) by e-mail with indication of reasons.

12. When applying to the University, a foreign citizen shall submit the following documents to the Admissions Committee in electronic format (paper documents converted into electronic format by scanning or photographing subject to ensuring machine-readable recognition of their details):

a) Copy of Passport or other document certifying the **identity of a foreign citizen** and recognized by the Russian Federation in this capacity, unless otherwise provided by international treaties of the Russian Federation, the Federal law or decrees of the President of the Russian Federation, with the original translation into Russian certified by a Russian notary (Consul of the Russian Federation). The surname, first name and patronymic (if any) of a foreign citizens must clearly correspond to the surname, first name and patronymic of such foreign citizen specified in his/her **entry visa** (if any);

Documents certifying the identity of a **stateless person** in the Russian Federation shall be as follows:

- Document issued by a foreign state and recognized under an international treaty of the Russian Federation as a document certifying the identity of a stateless person;
- Temporary Residence Permit (TRP);
- Residence Permit;
- Other documents provided for by Federal law or recognized under an international treaty of the Russian Federation as documents certifying the identity of a stateless person;

b) Copy of Visa (for citizens of countries with a visa regime of entry and stay in the Russian Federation), migration card and detachable part of the arrival notification of a foreign citizen arrival at place of residence or other documents confirming the legal stay of a foreign citizen in the Russian Federation, in the case of the applicant's presence in the Russian Federation;

c) Copy of Birth Certificate (if available) - for foreign citizens who have the names of their parents and other first-degree relative indicated in the originals of other necessary documents (education certificate), for foreign citizens who are compatriots living abroad;

d) Copy of Education Certificate – an education certificate issued in another state may be accepted if the education so certified is recognized in the Russian Federation as corresponding to the established level. Foreign certificates of education include as follows:

- For admission to the 1st year of **Bachelor's Degree or Specialty** Higher Education Programs - a certificate of education, recognized in the Russian Federation, the level of which is not lower than the level of secondary general or secondary vocational education;

- For admission to **Master's Degree** Higher Education Programs - a certificate of higher education of any level recognized in the Russian Federation;

- For admission to **Residency** Higher Education Programs - a certificate of education recognized in the Russian Federation, the level of which is not lower than the higher education level (specialist, Master's Degree);

- For admission to higher education **Postgraduate Programs for Training Scientific and Pedagogical Personnel** - a certificate of education recognized in the Russian Federation, the level of which is not lower than the higher education level (specialist, Master's Degree).

e) Copy of certificate of recognition of foreign education in the Russian Federation, if the submission of a foreign state certificate of education requires the submission of such evidence. Given the specifics of the admission process in 2020, an applicant may submit the said document without such a certificate and furnish the certificate of foreign education recognition later during the first year of study;

f) According to sub-paragraph 72.1 of the Admission Procedure, when submitting an education certificate issued by a foreign state, which is subject to the requirement for legalization or apostille, when applying for admission applicants may submit the said document without legalization or apostille and submit it subsequently but no later than the date of closing the acceptance of statements of consent for enrollment;

g) Copy of a foreign education certificate translation into Russian, made and certified by a Russian notary (Consul of the Russian Federation). In case the applicant is outside of the Russian Federation, he/she may submit his/her foreign certificate of education translated into Russian and notarized in the country of applicant's stay with obligation to provide translation of foreign certificate of education into Russian certified by a Russian notary (Consul of the Russian Federation) later during the first year of study;

h) Copies of documents or other written evidence, to provide for compatriots' rights to education on an equal basis with citizens of the Russian Federation (Federal Law, *On the State Policy of the Russian Federation in Relation to Compatriots Abroad*, No. 99-FZ of 24 May 1999 (as revised on 23 July 2013), which confirm:

- Citizenship of the USSR, citizenship or lack thereof at the time of presentation - for persons who were citizens of the USSR;

- Residence in the past in the territory of the Russian State, the Russian Republic, the RSFSR, the USSR or the Russian Federation, the respective citizenship when leaving this territory and citizenship or lack thereof at the time of presentation - for natives (emigrants); direct kinship in the ascending line with the specified persons - for descendants of compatriots;

- Residence abroad - for all specified persons;

i) Appointment by the Ministry of Education and Science to training within the quota established by the Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation (if available);

j) Copy of medical certificate issued in the Russian Federation and confirming the absence of medical contraindications for training, with a special note on the results of fluorography and HIV test - for persons staying in the Russian Federation; a copy of notarized translation of a medical certificate issued abroad in a foreign language plus a copy of a medical certificate issued abroad in a foreign language - for persons staying outside the Russian Federation;



k) Copy of the voluntary medical insurance policy valid in the Russian Federation and covering emergency medical assistance and insured event of repatriation from the Russian Federation - for persons staying in the Russian Federation.

In case of enrollment the applicant undertakes to provide originals of all specified documents to the University during the first semester.

13. The University reserves the right to verify the accuracy of information and documents provided by applicants by making requests to the relevant institutions and organizations. If false information is detected, the University returns the documents to the applicant within the time limits set in accordance with the admission rules and the form specified in the application when submitting documents. Foreign citizens who have submitted consciously forged documents shall bear responsibility under the legislation of the Russian Federation.

#### IV. Entrance Tests

14. Entrance tests for foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, when applying for the Federal budget-funded openings under Bachelor's Degree and Specialty Programs (see sub-paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2 of this Regulation) shall be determined by the Rules of admission to the University and the Procedure for admission to higher education institutions:

14.1 Foreign citizens who have passed the Unified State Exam (USE) shall be entitled to enter the University on the basis of the USE results.

14.2 Foreign citizens also shall be entitled to enter the University on the basis of results of the entrance tests conducted by the University independently (paragraph 21 of the Admission Procedure).

Foreign citizens shall be entitled to pass one or more entrance tests conducted by the organization, and to submit the results of USE for one or more other entrance tests (at their discretion). In the application for admission, for each entrance test, an applicant shall indicate whether he/she will present the results of USE or pass the test in the organization.

14.3 When admitting foreign citizens and stateless persons to study under Bachelor's Degree and Specialty Programs **under contracts for the provision of fee-based educational services**, the University establishes at least two general entrance tests to be chosen at its discretion from the list of entrance tests established by the Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation, *On Approval of the List of Entrance Tests for Admission to Higher Education Programs - Bachelor and Specialty Degree Programs*, No. 1204 of 4 September 2014, in respect of the relevant specialty or field of study (paragraph 136 of the Admission Procedure).

14.4 Entrance tests at the University shall be conducted in the form of computer testing using remote technologies and online proctoring.

14.5 All tests (except for entrance tests in a foreign language and tests for applicants to educational programs implemented by the University using English as the intermediary language) shall be conducted in Russian. The results of entrance tests for Bachelor, Specialty and Residency Programs shall be evaluated on a 100-point scale. The

results of entrance tests for applicants for Postgraduate Programs shall be evaluated on a 5-point scale.

14.6 When conducting the same entrance test in different languages, the University shall establish the same format and program of the entrance test.

14.7 The University does not conduct entrance tests using remote technologies.

14.8 Each entrance test shall be conducted simultaneously for all applicants or at different times for different groups of applicants (including as these groups are formed of persons having submitted the required documents).

14.9 For each group of applicants, one entrance test shall be conducted in one day. At the request of an applicant and his/her written application, he/she may be given the opportunity to pass more than one entrance test in one day.

14.10 An applicant shall take each entrance test only once. Repeated participation of foreign citizens in entrance tests in another group shall not be allowed.

Persons who have not passed the entrance test for a good reason (illness or other documented circumstances) shall be allowed to pass the entrance test in another group or on a reserve day.

14.11 The results of the entrance tests shall be announced on the official website of the University and on the information board no later than the third working day after each entrance test.

15. The timeline of the entrance tests for foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, shall be approved by the internal order of the University.

## V. Admission

16. Admission of foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, for higher education programs, to places funded from the Federal budget allocations and to places under contracts for the provision of fee-based educational services, shall be carried out according to the timeline established by the Rules of Admission to the University, the University's order.

16.1 Admission to study within the quota (sub-paragraph 4.3 of this Regulation) for the education of foreign citizens shall be carried out by a separate order (orders) of the University.

16.2. Admission of foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, for Bachelor's and Specialist's Degree Programs to places funded from Federal budget allocations (see sub-paragraphs 4.1 and 4.2 of this Regulation) shall be carried out within the timeline established by the Rules of Admission to the University and the Procedure for Admission to Higher Education Institutions: **24 August** (1<sup>st</sup> stage - 80% of the main openings offered for competition) and **26 August** (2<sup>nd</sup> stage - 20% of the main openings offered for competition). The basis for admission shall be a statement of consent to enroll. The academic year starts on **1 September**.

16.3 Admission of foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, for the Bachelor and Specialty Programs to study in Russian under contracts

for the provision of fee-based educational services (sub-paragraph 5) shall be on 27 August, 28 August and 31 August.

The basis for admission shall be a statement of consent to enroll and a document on payment of tuition (receipt). The academic year starts on **1 September**.

16.4 Admission of foreign citizens and stateless persons to **Bachelor and Specialty Programs** to study in English as an intermediary language under contracts for the provision of fee-based educational services - **up to and including 31 October**. The basis for admission shall be a statement of consent to enroll and a document on payment of tuition (receipt). The academic year starts on **1 November**.

16.5 Admission of foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, to **Master's Degree Programs** under contracts for the provision of fee-based educational services - **24 August and 26 August**. The basis for admission shall be a statement of consent to enroll and a document on payment of tuition (receipt). The academic year starts on **1 September**.

16.6 Admission of foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, to **Residency Programs**: main openings offered for competition - **20 August**, openings under contracts for the provision of fee-based educational services - on **24 August and 25 August**. The academic year starts on **1 September**.

16.7 Admission of foreign citizens and stateless persons, including compatriots living abroad, to **Postgraduate Programs for Training Scientific and Pedagogical Personnel**: budget-funded openings – **19 September**, openings under contracts for the provision of fee-based educational services– **25 September**. The academic year starts on **1 October**.

17. The present Regulation is supported with a number of Annexes (hereinafter – Annexes 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6), which outline the Russian requirements for foreign certificates on education (legalization and recognition procedure), a list of States with indication of legalization type, if required, in the Russian Federation, a list of countries with which agreements were signed on education certificates recognition in the Russian Federation, as well as the timing of the admission of foreign citizens and stateless persons to study under Bachelor and Specialty Programs at the Pirogov RNRMU of the Ministry of Health of Russia in 2020.

18. Changes and additions to this Regulation shall be made following the same procedure as this Regulation was adopted and approved.

## **Legalization of Documents**

According to the legislation of the Russian Federation, documents issued in another state can only be used (accepted by Russian authorities and organizations) if they are legalized.

***Attention! Legalization of foreign documents and recognition of foreign education are different procedures.***

Foreign documents are legalized for their legal use in another country.

Recognition of education is carried out for the purposes of granting rights to study (or) work.

**Legalization** is the performance of certain formal procedures to make a document legally valid in another state for submission to competent authorities of that state. There are two types of legalization:

### **1. Consular Legalization**

Performed in two stages:

- certification of a document (depending on the requirements of legislation of the country of document issue: as a rule, the original document, in some countries - a copy of a document) by the competent authorities of foreign affairs (MFA) of the country issuing the document - appropriate stamps and seals are affixed indicating the position and signature of the certifying person
- certification by the consular services of the Russian Federation (Consulate or representative office of the Russian Federation) in the country of document issue - appropriate stamps and seals are affixed indicating the position and signature of the certifying person.

### **2. Attachment of an “Apostille” Stamp - Simplified Legalization**

An Apostille is an international standard form for the data confirming that the document is legal and can be used in countries accepting this legalization form.

Only original certificates of education and (or) qualifications, academic degrees and titles may bear an Apostille stamp.

The Apostille stamp certifies that a signature is genuine, a signee of a confirmed document has the right to sign it, a seal on a document is genuine and that a document was issued to the person specified in the certificate of education and (or) qualifications, academic degrees and titles as to its holder.

The Apostille is required when Russian or foreign graduates of Russian education institutions go abroad and present Russian education certificates for further education or work in the member countries of the Hague Convention of 5 October 1961.

The verification of Russian certificates of education and (or) qualifications, academic degrees and titles is performed in the territory of the Russian Federation on the basis of:

- The Hague Convention of 5 October 1961;
- Federal law, *On Education*, No. 273-FZ of 29 December 2012 (Article 106 );
- Federal law, *On Science and State Scientific and Technical Policy*, No. 127-FZ of 23 August 1996 (Article 6.3);
- Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation, *On Approval of the Rules for Confirming Documents on Education and (or) Qualifications*, No. 611 of 20 July 2013;
- Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation, *On Confirmation of State-Issued Documents on Education, Academic Degrees and Titles*, No. 165 of 11 March 2011;
- Federal Law *On Amendments to Certain Legal Acts of the Russian Federation Due to the Improvement of Supervisory Functions and Optimization of the Provision of State Services in the Field of Education*, No.293-FZ of 8 November 2010;
- Other regulatory legal acts.

Starting from 1 January 2011, in accordance with Federal law, *On Amendments to Certain Legal Acts of the Russian Federation Due to the Improvement of Supervisory Functions and Optimization of the Provision of State Services in the Field of Education*, No. 293-FZ of 8 November 2010, the verification of certificates on education and (or) qualifications, academic degrees and titles by affixing an apostille falls within the powers of the Russian Federation in the field of education, transferred for implementation to the executive authorities of the constituent entities of the Russian Federation.

Executive authority of a constituent entity of the Russian Federation that exercises the transferred powers in the field of education shall accept applications and documents regardless of the applicant's place of residence and stay.

The period for verification of certificates on education and (or) qualifications, academic degrees and titles and making a decision on apostille or refusal to verify the specified certificates shall be 45 days from the date of acceptance of an application and attached certificates/documents.

Applicants shall pay a state fee established by the legislation of the Russian Federation on taxes and fees in the amount RUB 1,500 for an apostille affixed on a certificate on education and (or) qualifications, academic degrees and titles.

***Legalization should not be confused with the established procedure for certifying copies of documents! The established procedure for certifying copies and translations of documents in the Russian Federation in accordance with civil law shall be certification of copies of documents by a notary. Notarized translations must always be accompanied by copies of the documents translated.*** Documents issued in countries that are parties to multilateral or bilateral agreements that eliminate the requirement to legalize documents shall be accepted without legalization.

## **RECOGNITION OF FOREIGN EDUCATION AND (OR) FOREIGN QUALIFICATIONS**

Recognition of foreign education and (or) foreign qualifications in the Russian Federation means an official verification of the level of education and (or) qualifications obtained in a foreign state, with the granting of academic, professional and (or) other rights to the holder.

- Academic recognition allows the holders of foreign certificates to continue their education in Russian educational institutions or scientific organizations.
- Professional recognition allows the holders of foreign certificates to carry out professional activities on the territory of the Russian Federation.

Recognition in the Russian Federation of education and (or) qualifications obtained in a foreign state (hereinafter – foreign education and (or) foreign qualifications) shall be carried out on the basis of Article 107 of the Federal Law, *On Education in the Russian Federation*, No. 273-FZ of 29 December 2012 (hereinafter - the Law).

In accordance with Part 1 of Article 107 of the Law, the recognition of foreign education and (or) foreign qualifications shall be carried out in accordance with international agreements of the Russian Federation governing the recognition and establishment of the equality of foreign education and (or) foreign qualifications (hereinafter - international agreements on mutual recognition), and the legislation of the Russian Federation.

The criteria for inclusion in the list of foreign educational organizations that issue certificates of foreign states on education and (or) qualifications, which are recognized in the Russian Federation, were approved by Resolution of the Government of the Russian Federation No. 660 of 5 August 2013.

In accordance with Part 3 of Article 107 of the Law, the Russian Federation recognizes foreign education and (or) foreign qualifications that are covered by international agreements on mutual recognition, as well as those obtained in foreign educational organizations included in the list established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

Holders of certificates on foreign education and (or) foreign qualifications recognized in the Russian Federation shall be granted the same academic and (or) professional rights as holders of the relevant certificates on education and (or) qualifications obtained in the Russian Federation, unless otherwise established by international agreements on mutual recognition.

Thus, if Your education is covered by an international agreement on mutual recognition, it shall be recognized in the Russian Federation without passing the recognition procedure (there are no provisions for certificates of recognition of a foreign education and / or qualification in the Russian Federation) on the basis of Part 3 of Article 107 of the Law.

If Your education is not covered by an international agreement on mutual recognition, it shall not be recognized in the Russian Federation without passing the recognition procedure on the basis of Parts 4 – 11 of Article 107 of the Law in accordance with the *Administrative Regulation on Provision by the Federal Service for Supervision in Education and Science of the Public Service of Recognizing Education and (or) Qualifications Received in a Foreign State*, approved by Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation No. 1391 of 24 December 2013 (Registered in Ministry of Justice of Russia on 21 February 2014 No. 31387) (hereinafter - the Regulation).

### **Main regulatory legal acts governing the procedure for recognition of foreign education in the Russian Federation**

- Federal law, *On Education in the Russian Federation*, No. 273-FZ of 29 December 2012;
- Administrative Regulation on Provision by the Federal Service for Supervision in Education and Science of the Public Service of Recognizing Education and (or) Qualifications Received in a Foreign State, approved by Order of the Ministry of Education and Science of the Russian Federation No. 1391 of 24 December 2013 (Registered in Ministry of Justice of Russia on 21 February 2014 No. 31387);
- Effective bilateral and multilateral international agreements on mutual recognition of certificates on education;
- Order of the Government of the Russian Federation *On Approval of the List of Foreign Educational Organizations that Issue Certificates on Education and (or) Qualifications Recognized in the Russian Federation*, No. 2777-r of 30 December 2015;
- Pursuant to Part 14 of Article 107 of the Federal law *On Education in the Russian Federation*, No. 273-FZ of 29 December 2012, and in accordance with the Order of the Government of the Russian Federation *On the Authorized Organization Performing the Functions of the National Information Centre on Information Support to the Recognition in the Russian Federation of Education and (or) Qualification, Academic Degrees and Titles Obtained in a Foreign Country*, No. 272-r of 27 February 2014, the Federal State Scientific Institution “Main State Center for Education Evaluation” (FSBI Glavekspertcentr) was defined as the authorized organization mentioned above.

### **Full List of Countries with Indication of Type of Legalization Required**

Abkhazia	Not required
Australia	Apostille
Austria	Apostille
Azerbaijan	Not required
Albania	Not required
Algeria	Not required
Angola	Consular legalization
Andorra	Apostille
Antigua and Barbuda	Apostille
Argentina	Not required
Armenia	Not required
Afghanistan	Consular legalization
Bahamas	Apostille
Bangladesh	Consular legalization
Barbados	Apostille
Bahrain	Apostille
Belarus	Not required
Belize	Apostille
Belgium	Apostille
Benin	Consular legalization
Bulgaria	Not required
Bolivia	Consular legalization
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Not required
Botswana	Apostille
Brazil	Apostille
Brunei Darussalam	Apostille
Burkina Faso	Consular legalization
Burundi	Apostille
Bhutan	Consular legalization
Vanuatu	Apostille
Vatican	Consular legalization
United Kingdom	Apostille
Hungary	Not required
Venezuela	Apostille
East Timor	Consular legalization
Vietnam	Not required
Gabon	Consular legalization
Haiti	Consular legalization
Guyana	Consular legalization
Gambia	Consular legalization
Ghana	Consular legalization
Guatemala	Consular legalization
Guinea	Consular legalization
Guinea-Bissau	Consular legalization
Germany	Apostille
Honduras	Apostille
Grenada	Apostille



Greece	Not required
Georgia	Not required
Denmark	Apostille
Djibouti	Consular legalization
Dominica	Apostille
Dominican Republic	Apostille
Egypt	Not required
Zambia	Consular legalization
Zimbabwe	Consular legalization
Israel	Apostille
India	Not required
Indonesia	Consular legalization
Jordan	Consular legalization
Iraq	Not required
Iran	Not required
Ireland	Apostille
Iceland	Apostille
Spain	Not required
Italy	Not required
Yemen	Not required
Cabo Verde	Apostille
Kazakhstan	Not required
Cambodia	Consular legalization
Cameroon	Consular legalization
Canada	Consular legalization
Qatar	Consular legalization
Kenya	Consular legalization
Cyprus	Not required
Kiribati	Consular legalization
China	Not required
China, Hong Kong	Apostille
China, Macao	Apostille
Colombia	Apostille
Comoros	Consular legalization
Congo, Democratic Republic	Consular legalization
Congo, Republic	Consular legalization
North Korea	Not required
South Korea	Apostille
Kosovo	Apostille
Costa Rica	Apostille
Cote d'Ivoire	Consular legalization
Cuba	Not required
Kuwait	Consular legalization
Kyrgyzstan	Not required
Laos	Consular legalization
Latvia	Not required
Lesotho	Apostille
Liberia	Apostille
Lebanon	Consular legalization
Libya	Consular legalization
Lithuania	Not required
Liechtenstein	Apostille
Luxembourg	Apostille

Mauritius	Apostille
Mauritania	Consular legalization
Madagascar	Consular legalization
Macedonia	Not required
Malawi	Apostille
Malaysia	Consular legalization
Mali	Consular legalization
Maldives	Consular legalization
Malta	Apostille
Morocco	Apostille
Marshall Islands	Apostille
Mexico	Apostille
Micronesia, Federated States	Consular legalization
Mozambique	Consular legalization
Moldova	Not required
Monaco	Apostille
Mongolia	Not required
Myanmar	Consular legalization
Namibia	Apostille
Nauru	Consular legalization
Nepal	Consular legalization
Niger	Consular legalization
Nigeria	Consular legalization
Netherlands	Apostille
Nicaragua	Apostille
New Zealand	Apostille
Norway	Apostille
United Arab Emirates	Consular legalization
Oman	Apostille
Pakistan	Consular legalization
Palau	Consular legalization
Palestine	Consular legalization
Panama	Apostille
Papua New Guinea	Consular legalization
Paraguay	Apostille
Peru	Apostille
Poland	Not required
Portugal	Apostille
Transdniestria	Not required
Puerto Rico	Consular legalization
Rwanda	Consular legalization
Romania	Not required
El Salvador	Apostille
Samoa	Apostille
San Marino	Apostille
Sao Tome and Principe	Apostille
Saudi Arabia	Consular legalization
Swaziland	Apostille
Seychelles	Apostille
Senegal	Consular legalization
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	Apostille
Saint Kitts and Nevis	Apostille
Santa Lucia	Apostille

Serbia	Not required
Singapore	Consular legalization
Syria	Consular legalization
Slovakia	Not required
Slovenia	Not required
United States of America	Apostille
Solomon Islands	Consular legalization
Somalia	Consular legalization
Sudan	Consular legalization
Suriname	Apostille
Sierra Leone	Consular legalization
Tajikistan	Not required
Thailand	Consular legalization
Tanzania	Consular legalization
Togo	Consular legalization
Tonga	Apostille
Trinidad and Tobago	Apostille
Tuvalu	Consular legalization
Tunisia	Not required
Turkmenistan	Not required
Turkey	Apostille
Uganda	Consular legalization
Uzbekistan	Not required
Ukraine	Not required
Uruguay	Apostille
Fiji	Apostille
Philippines	Consular legalization
Finland	Not required
France	Apostille
Croatia	Not required
Central African Republic	Consular legalization
Chad	Consular legalization
Montenegro	Not required
Czech Republic	Not required
Chili	Apostille
Switzerland	Apostille
Sweden	Apostille
Sri Lanka	Consular legalization
Ecuador	Apostille
Equatorial Guinea	Consular legalization
Eritrea	Consular legalization
Estonia	Not required
Ethiopia	Consular legalization
South Ossetia	Consular legalization
South Africa	Apostille
South Sudan	Consular legalization
Jamaica	Consular legalization
Japan	Apostille

**List of Foreign States with Dates of Agreements on Mutual Recognition  
Applied by the Russian Federation in the Order of Succession After the USSR**

Country	Date of Agreement	Country	Date of Agreement
Algeria	12 May 1969	Mali	30 October 1967
Angola	21 April 1986	Mozambique	02 June 1983
Afghanistan	19 June 1978	Nepal	09 January 1970
Bangladesh	14 June 1978	Niger	26 December 1975
Bolivia	13 March 1971	Nigeria	18 May 1973
Bosnia and Herzegovina	15 March 1988	Nicaragua	02 December 1982
Burkina Faso	06 September 1976	Pakistan	04 June 1979
Burundi	05 April 1972	Republic of Congo	05 August 1970
Hungary	11 October 1974	Rwanda	16 September 1972
Ghana	08 November 1985	Sao Tome and Principe	05 March 1982
Guinea	09 April 1968	Syria	28 September 1966
Guinea-Bissau	01 February 1979	Slovenia	15 March 1988
Zambia	07 March 1973	Somalia	03 October 1968
India	24 November 1987	Sudan	22 January 1968
Yemen	03 November 1981	Suriname	21 November 1978
Spain	26 October 1990	Sierra Leone	01 June 1988
Cabo Verde	16 June 1976	Finland	07 December 1979
Cambodia	15 January 1988	Croatia	15 March 1988
Cameroon	14 April 1989	Central African Republic	06 June 1970
Colombia	23 June 1986	Czech Republic	06 June 1972
Laos	23 May 1978	Sri Lanka	30 November 1982
Mauritius	24 January 1977	Equatorial Guinea	23 December 1985
Mauritania	27 November 1979	Ethiopia	24 May 1978
Madagascar	27 August 1973		

**List of Countries Located on the Territory of the Former USSR with  
Dates of Agreements on Mutual Recognition**

Country	Date of Agreement
Azerbaijan	23 September 2002
Armenia	15 September 2001
Belarus	27 February 1996, 24 November 1998, 15 September 2004, 31 May 2013
Kazakhstan	24 November 1998, 15 September 2004
Kyrgyzstan	24 November 1998, 15 September 2004, 31 May 2013
Moldova	03 March 2003, 15 September 2004
Tajikistan	24 November 1998, 15 September 2004
Turkmenistan	25 March 2009
Ukraine	26 May 2000
South Ossetia	12 April 2017, effective from 18 April 2018
Abkhazia	18 December 2017, effective from 11 January 2019
Uzbekistan	30 May 2019

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## **Analysis of Recognition Rules in Cooperation Agreements with CIS Countries**

<b>Country</b>	<b>Agreement</b>	<b>Documents Recognized</b>
Armenia, Belorussia, Kazakhstan, Kirgizia, Moldavia, Russia, Tajikistan, Turkmenia, Uzbekistan, Ukraine	Agreement on cooperation in the field of education (Tashkent, 15 May 1992)	Secondary education, secondary vocational education, secondary special education, higher education, retraining, degrees and titles. Applies to documents issued prior to dates of signing
Belarus	Agreement between the Russian Federation and the Republic of Belarus on friendship, good neighborhood and cooperation (Minsk, 21 February 1995)	Certificates of education, degrees and titles
Kazakhstan	Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of the Republic of Kazakhstan on cooperation in the field of culture, science and education (Moscow, 28 March 1994)	Certificates of education, qualification certificates and diplomas. Applies to documents issued prior to dates of signing
Kyrgyzstan	Agreement on cooperation in the field of education between the Ministry of National Education of the Republic of Kyrgyzstan, the Ministry of Education of the Russian Federation and the Higher School Committee of the Ministry of Science, Higher School and Technical Policy of the Russian Federation (Moscow, 10 June 1992)	Documents of a state-approved format: certificates of education, additional professional education, degrees and titles. Applies to documents issued prior to dates of signing Certificates of secondary education, secondary vocational education diplomas for continuing education Applies to documents issued prior to dates of signing
Tajikistan	Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of the Republic of Tajikistan on cooperation in the fields of culture, science and technology, education, health, information, sports and tourism (Dushanbe, 19 September 1995)	Secondary education, primary vocational education
Turkmenia	Agreement between the Government of the Russian Federation and the Government of Turkmenistan on cooperation in the field of culture, education and science (Moscow, 18 May 1995)	Certificates of education, degrees and titles Applies to documents issued prior to 1 January 1993
Ukraine	Agreement between the Government of Ukraine and the Government of the Russian Federation on cooperation in the field of culture, science and education (Moscow, 26 July 1995)	Secondary education, secondary vocational education for continuing education

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