

ORDER OF SUBMISSION OF VISA APPLICATIONS AT CONSULAR ESTABLISHMENTS

The foreign citizen having the complete set of documents required for application for a Russian visa, can either submit documents to one of the Russian visa application centres without prior appointment, or at the nearest consular establishment of the Russian Federation by prior appointment only. Appointments have to be booked online.

Booking appointment for applying at the consular establishment directly is carried out through a web site of the Russian visa application centre and grants the right of submitting the unified complete set of documents (including the visa application form filled in online and printed out from the website) during strictly reserved time by the applicant, or his/her lawful representative, whose powers are confirmed documentary.

Documents for Russian visa application can be submitted to consular establishment by:

- The person applying for the Russian visa (applicant);
- In case of incapacity of the applicant, including elderly, – his/her lawful representative after a presentation of the confirming documents translated into Russian or English language;
- A member of a family of the applicant or his/her relative after a presentation of the document confirming relationship;
- The representative of government, public or commercial organization having the corresponding certificate and/or the power of attorney/letter from the organization – on behalf of the employee/s of the given organization going to Russia for work or on business trip and their family members travelling together.
- Appointment booked for submission of visa application at the Russian consular establishment directly grants the right of submitting one complete set of visa documents. The exception can be made for the spouse of the applicant or his/her minor children travelling together.
- Visas to members of Finnish official delegations, employees of its diplomatic and consular establishments going to Russia for work or on business trip, are issued by the Russian consular establishments on the basis of written references from Finnish government structures.
- In the special cases for trips based on humanitarian purposes and confirmed documentary, the Russian consular establishments accept visa applications without prior appointment and issue visas on a priority basis.
- The Russian Consular establishments do not accept and return documents by post.