TEMPORARY RESIDENCE PERMIT (TRP)

GENERAL OVERVIEW OF THE PROCESS
TRP – is a permission to temporary residency in Russia for foreign nationals.

Form – stamp in your passport / ID document of a foreign national
TRP matters are governed by Federal Law 115 «On legal status of foreign nationals in the Russian Federation»

**Article 6:**
Process of TRP issuance

**Article 7:**
Grounds for rejection and termination of TRP
ATTENTION:
Can’t be extended!!!

It is necessary to timely apply for a 5-year residency permit or exit Russian Federation.
Benefits of the TRP

1. Reside in Russia (3 years)
2. Work (no need to obtain work permit)
3. Foreign national with TRP can register him/herself as an individual entrepreneur
4. Apply for a 5-year residency permit and Russian citizenship
5. Benefit from public medical care and visit local state hospitals and doctors
RESTRICTIONS

Work only in the region where TRP is issued

Can’t leave Russia for more than 6 months within 1 year!!!

In case working for a private person foreign national will have to apply for a work permit
ELIGIBILITY

QUOTA (annually established by the Russian Government for each Russian Region);

GROUNDs WITHOUT QUOTA

Place of birth:
Was born in Russia Was born in RSFSR + had USSR citizenship

Family based:
Incapacity (pension) + child - Russian citizen
Incapacitated parent – Russian citizen Spouse – Russian citizen
Child under 18 – Russian citizen
Child over 18 – Russian citizen + incapacitated

Other:
Participant of the compatriot’s relocation program
Investment (amount is established by the Government)
Military service in the Russian army
PRACTICAL RECOMMENDATIONS

● If you are applying for the TRP based on quota, it is advisable to submit application in the beginning of the year, because there is higher chance that the quota allocated slots are still available.

● Instead of the exam certificates you can file: government-approved education certificate, issued on the territory of the former USSR before the 1st of January 1991 or education certificate issued starting the 1st of Jan 1991 in Russia.

● If you need to get the exam certificate, confirming your knowledge of Russian language, History and Basics of legal knowledge, one can do it at one of the certified testing centers for foreign citizens (there are more than 400 in Russia).

● Medical Check-up for the TRP applications is conducted only by certified medical organizations!!!

WHERE TO APPLY FOR TRP?

● To the local immigration center
Fill out application 2 copies. 

Collect required set of documents 

Medical check: issue of certificate 

Application of documents 

Payment of state duty 

Exams: Russian, history legal basics 

Decision that TRP granted 

Fingerprinting/Get TRP stamped to the passport 

Apply for a TRP visa 

Residency confirmation Notification 

TAX ID 

Address registration in Russia 

Processing time up to 6-7 months
**REQUIRED DOCUMENTS**

- 2 copies of the TRP application
- 2 Photos 35×45 mm
- Passport and international passport (in case there is one)
- Criminal Record Certificate + apostilled and translated to Russian language (in case the applicant is from a visa country)
- Medical Certificates
- Exam Certificates: Russian language, History, Basics of legal knowledge
- Migration card
- Address registration notification
- Payment of state duty

**In case applying without the quota + documents confirming relevant ground, for example: Marriage Certificate, Birth Certificate, etc. (all documents require apostil and translation to Russian language in case were issued abroad)!!!**

**CHILDREN:**

All the above documents except for Exam Certificates! +

- Birth Certificate with the confirmation of citizenship
- If older 14 year of age – notarized consent to reside in Russia + Criminal Record Certificate (apostilled and translated to Russian language)
REJECTION

TO ACCEPT THE DOCUMENTS

- Mistakes in the application form
- Documents are not compliant with the regulatory requirements
- Passport is valid less than 6 months
- Applicant has violated the required terms of entry and stay
- Incomplete set of documents provided

ISSUE TRP (set out by the law)

- Poses security threat: terrorist activity, conviction, been imprisoned in Russia, been previously deported from Russia, been charged with administrative offences
- Submitted false documents or information, fake marriage
- Financial issues: doesn’t work, no place to legally reside after 3 years staying in Russia
- Health issues: drug addiction, HIV, infectious disease
- Stay in the country: left Russia or is away for more than 6 months a year
APPEAL

FIRST STEP: Request to issued official document stating grounds for denial to issue TRP

THEN APPLY TO EITHER

Ministry of Internal Affairs

or

COURT
WHAT’S NEXT?

STEPS TO BE TAKEN AFTER TRP WAS ISSUED

TRP COLLECTED

Register at the place of residency
Term: 7

Obtain personal Tax ID number and submit it to the Immigration Center Ministry of Internal Affairs
Term – 1 year

Annual notification of stay in Russia
Term: 1 year 2 months – annually during TRP validity
In case your TRP has expired and you didn’t apply for the 5-year residency you would need to exit Russia and in case of need apply for TRP once again.

You should apply for the 5-year residency permit 6 months prior to the expiration of the TRP.

In case of need based on relevant legal grounds apply for Russian citizenship.