

Important information on Russian e-visa for St. Petersburg and Leningradskaya oblast

ATTENTION! Note that foreign citizens with e-visa can visit **only the region of St. Petersburg and Leningradskaya oblast**. Visiting other regions of the Russian Federation is **prohibited** and is punishable by a fine of 2,000 rubles and a ban from re-entry to the Russian Federation.

Please read the following information carefully **before** you begin to fill in an e-visa application form. An e-visa is free and can be applied for on the following website: <https://evisa.kdmid.ru/>.

ATTENTION! Receiving an e-visa **does not guarantee** your entry into the Russian Federation. You can be denied entry at a border if there is even the smallest discrepancy in the e-visa form compared with your passport data. **An e-visa is being issued without comparing your passport to the information in the e-visa form, it is your responsibility to fill in the form correctly.**

Filling in the form:

Be careful when filling in your name, surname and date of birth.

Common mistakes are:

- Printing the letter 'o' instead of the number zero '0';
- Putting your first names into a line where the surname should be indicated, and vice versa;
- Not mentioning **all** given names. An exception is when you have many given names and they do not fit into the relevant space.

You can fill in an application form for an e-visa not earlier than 20 days and no later than 4 days before the intended date of entry into the Russian Federation. **Your passport must be valid for at least 6 months from the date you applied for an e-visa.** Foreign citizens who have arrived to the Russian Federation with e-visas are required to have a medical insurance valid in Russia for the entire period of stay.

After sending your application:

You can use the site <https://evisa.kdmid.ru/> to follow up on the status of your application. Once a relevant decision is taken, the status of your application will be changed to "Visa issued" or "Visa denied". You will be able to download a PDF file with the information concerning the decision on the application thereafter. Download and print the notification with your e-visa.

Practical information

The time period for issuing an e-visa is no longer than **4** calendar days from the date of submission of the complete application. The e-visa is a single-entry visa and issued for 30 calendar days from the date of its issuance. **E-visa validity and/or the permitted stay under it cannot be extended.** The permitted stay in the Russian Federation with an e-visa is up to **8** days starting from the date of entry, within its validity period.

ATTENTION! The allowed period of stay in the Russian Federation under an e-visa of **maximum 8 days** does not imply that one can stay for the entire 192 hours (24 hours multiplied by 8). The period of stay in the Russian Federation always starts at **midnight** of the day of passage through passport control upon entry regardless of the **actual** time of passage through passport control.

Please be aware, that even a minimal overstay with an e-visa will cause big problems including payment of a fine, and a court decision will be needed as a permission to cross the border. The whole procedure lasts several days.

Before sending your e-visa application, read over your completed application carefully. Please make sure that you have made no mistakes and, if necessary, let someone else take a second look at it. The complete information about the e-visa you can find on <https://evisa.kdmid.ru/>