

PROVISION ON INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION FOR PARTICIPATION
IN THE RUSSIAN GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY'S ENVIRONMENTAL
AWARENESS-RAISING CAMP IN THE TERRITORY OF NATIONAL PARK
"LOSINY OSTROV"

1. GENERAL PROVISIONS

- 1.1. This provision brings under regulation the procedure of the international competition for participation in the Russian geographical society's environmental awareness-raising camp in the territory of national park "Losiny ostrov" («Elk island») (hereinafter – the Competition).
- 1.2. The competition is organized by the all-Russian public organization "Russian Geographical Society" (hereinafter – the Society).
- 1.3. The winners of the Competitions are granted with an opportunity to participate in the Russian geographical society's environmental awareness-raising camp in the territory of national park "Losiny ostrov" («Elk island») at no charge (hereinafter – the Event). The organizers provide the participants with accommodation and meals during the Event. The participants of the Event are also provided with transportation from the place of residence to the venue of the Event and back. Those participants, who live abroad, are provided with the transit from Moscow to the venue of the Event and back. The journey from the place of residence to Moscow and back is provided by participants living abroad on their own.
- 1.4. Dates and venue of the environmental education camp (can be corrected):
The first shift: May 13 - May 19, 2019,
The second shift: July 15 - July 21, 2019,
The third shift: October 14 - October 20, 2019,
- 1.5. The venue of the Event: Moscow.
- 1.6. The purpose of the Event is the improvement of ecological and cognitive trails, uprooting trees and garbage collection in OOPT's (Specially protected natural areas). Requirements to the participants are designated in section 5 of this Provision.
- 1.7. The participation in the Competition implies acceptance of this Provision, which is published on the official website of the Society (www.rgo.ru) and on the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

2. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

- 2.1. The main goals of the Competition:
 - 2.1.1. Providing the opportunity to participate in one of the Society's unique projects.

2.1.2. Drawing attention and highlighting interest to the study and preservation of natural and cultural heritage of our country.

2.1.3. Popularization of the Society's expeditionary and voluntary activities.

2.2. The main objectives of the Competition:

2.2.1. Involvement in the activities of the Society and in the environmental awareness-raising camps, creation of the volunteers' base for participation in socially significant Society's projects.

3. FUNCTIONS AND REGULATIONS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE'S WORK

3.1. The Selection committee of the Competition (hereinafter – the Committee) is formed from representatives of the Society and is approved by the Executive Director of the Society.

3.2. Functions of the Selection committee:

3.2.1. Accepting applications for participation in the Competition.

3.2.2. Creation of the Competition participants' questionnaires base.

3.2.3. Collection of the Competition participants' documents in accordance with the requirements specified in sections 5 of this Provision.

3.2.4. Selection of volunteers for participation in the Event in accordance with the requirements specified in sections 5 of this Provision.

3.3. All decisions of the Committee are made collectively and documented by protocols.

3.4. The decisions of the Selection committee are considered to be taken by a simple majority of votes if more than half of the total number of Committee members attended the meeting.

4. THE CONDUCT OF COMPETITIONS

4.1. The Competitions are held from **February 28 to April 10, 2019** and include:

4.1.1. The announcement of the Competitions' start at the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.1.2. The announcement of the Competitions on the Society's website (www.rgo.ru), in the media and on the resources of information partners.

4.1.3. The placement of information about Competitions and questionnaires for applicants on the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.1.4. The registration of participants by filling out forms posted on the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.1.5. The provision of recommendation from the head of the organization/department/faculty or supervisor with specific achievements, a signature and a surname (in electronic form on the Youth portal of the RGS <http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.1.6. The provision of recommendation from the regional branch of the Russian Geographical Society signed by the chairman of the Society's regional branch (in case of membership in the Society or participation in its projects, in electronic form on the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.1.7. The provision of recommendation from the head of the RGS Youth Club (in case of participation in the work of the Youth Clubs, in electronic form on the Youth Portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.2. The work of the Committee is carried out from **April 11 to April 17, 2019** and ends with the publication of the list of the Event participants on the Society's website (www.rgo.ru), on the Youth Portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.3. During the period from **April 18 to April 22, 2019**, the winners of the Competitions must confirm their participation in the Event, as well as submit documents to the Committee on **April 28, 2019** in accordance with the requirements for selection of participants indicated in section 5 of this Provision, by email to expedition@rgo.ru, on the basis of a letter that confirms successful passing of the Competitions.

5. REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SELECTION OF COMPETITION PARTICIPANTS

5.1. **Age.** From 18 (full) years.

5.2. **Education.** Higher, incomplete higher, secondary specialized and general secondary. Faculties – historical, geographical, theory and history of culture, ethnology, etc., also community leaders, conducting their activities in the field of geography and related sciences. Other specialties are possible in the presence of an expressed motivation (professional passion for history, archeology, geography, etc., the experience of participation in such expeditions).

5.3. **Health status.** Compliance with health group 1-2. The absence of contraindications for participation in the Event.

5.4. **Motivation.** Pronounced interest in the theme of the Event, a reasoned motivation in favor of participation in the Event (formulated in the questionnaire).

5.5. Personal qualities required to participate in the Event:

5.5.1. Strict compliance with:

– prohibition on the use of any alcoholic beverages, narcotic and other substances banned for free circulation in the territory of the Russian Federation during the entire duration of the Event.

5.6. **Documents required under the Competition.** Submission of documents in electronic form for consideration by the Committee on the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>), namely:

5.6.1. The participant's questionnaire.

5.6.2. Recommendations from the head of the organization/department/faculty or supervisor with specific achievements, a signature and a decryption of the surname.

5.6.3. Recommendations from the regional branch of the Russian Geographical Society signed by the chairman of the regional branch of the Society (in case of membership in the Society or participation in its projects, if available).

5.6.4. Recommendations from the head of the RGS Youth Club (in case of participation in the work of the RGS Youth Clubs, if available).

5.6.5. **Additionally.** Documents confirming the knowledge of foreign languages and experience of participation in other expeditions can be provided.

5.7. **Documents required to confirm participation in the Event (in case of successful passing of the Competitions).** Submitting to the Selection Committee a full package of documents (submitting scanned copies by mail to expedition@rgo.ru with the obligatory indication of the participant's last name in the subject line of the letter), namely:

5.7.1. Photos in electronic form (size 800*600).

5.7.2. Passport copies (all filled pages).

5.7.3. Inquiries from the place of study (work) or a copy of a student card (if available).

5.7.4. Medical certificate: certificate form 086-U or a similar one.

***It is mandatory to provide a certificate of timely anti-encephalitis vaccination, confirming the presence of immunity before the start of the Event.**

5.7.5. A health insurance policy valid in the Russian Federation at the time of the Event.

5.7.6. Certificates from a drug abuse treatment clinic at the place of permanent registration;

5.7.7. Certificates from the psycho-neurological dispensary at the place of permanent registration.

5.8. For foreign participants the Society provides visa support. It is necessary to have all the documents for processing a visa, issuing air tickets and registering in the Russian Federation.

5.9. The Society does not provide written or oral explanations about the motives for making decisions based on the results of applications pendency.

5.10. In case of failure to provide the documents specified in clause 5.7 of this Provision, the Committee reserves the right to deny participation in the Event.

5.12. The leaders of the Event reserve the right to deduct participants during the Event for violation of safety requirements and rules of stay specified in paragraph 5.5.1 of this Provision. Delivery from the venue of the Event to the place of residence is at the expense of the participant.