

**REGULATIONS**  
**ON INTERNATIONAL COMPETITIONS FOR PARTICIPATION**  
**IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATIONAL CAMPS**  
**OF THE RUSSIAN GEOGRAPHICAL SOCIETY ON THE TERRITORY**  
**OF THE "DARWINOVSKY", "KALUZHSKYE ZASEKI»,**  
**"CHERNYE ZEMLI", "KERZHENSKY", "KATUNSKY»,**  
**"BARGUZINSKY" RESERVES AND "ZABAICALSKY",**  
**"VALDAYSKY", "UGRA", "SMOLENSKOE POOZERYE", "ALANIA"**  
**AND "KURSHSKAYA KOSA" NATIONAL PARKS**

**1. GENERAL TERMS**

1.1. This Proposition regulates the procedure of the international competitions for participation in environmental educational camps of the Russian Geographical Society on the territory of the "Darwinovsky", "Kaluzhskye Zaseki", "Chernye zemli", "Kerzhensky», "Katunsky", "Barguzinsky" nature reserves and "Zabaikalsky», "Valdaisky", "Ugra", "Smolenskoe Poozerie", "Alania" and "Kurshskaya kosa" national parks.

1.2. The organizer of the Competition is the all-Russian public organization "Russian Geographical Society" (hereinafter – the Society).

1.3. The winners of the Competitions are provided with free of charge opportunity to participate in ecological and educational camps on the territory of the "Darwinovsky", "Kaluzhskye Zaseki", "Chernye zemli", "Kerzhensky», "Katunsky", "Barguzinsky" nature reserves and "Zabaikalsky», "Valdaisky", "Ugra", "Smolenskoe Poozerie", "Alania" and "Kurshskaya kosa" national parks (hereinafter – the Event). Organizers provide accommodation and meals for participants during the Event. Participants of the Event living in Russia are provided with transportation from the place of residence to the venue of the Event and back. Participants living abroad are provided with travel from Moscow to the venue of the Event and back. Travel from the place of residence to Moscow and back is provided by participants living abroad independently.

1.4. Dates and venue of environmental educational camps (may be adjusted):

**in the "Darvinsky" reserve\*:** from May 27 to June 9, 2019, Borok village, Cherepovets district, Vologda region;

**in the "Kaluga Zaseki" reserve\*:**

- **first shift:** from May 21 to May 23, 2019,

- **second shift:** from August 13 to August 15, 2019,

Ul'yanovo village, Ulyanovsk district, Kaluga region;

**in the "Valdaisky" national park\*:** from May 27 to May 31, 2019, Valdai town, Novgorod region;

**in the "Chernye zemli" reserve :** from June 1 to June 14, 2019, Republic of Kalmykia;

**in the national Park "Ugra":**

- **first shift:** from June 3 to June 9, 2019,

- **second shift:** from June 24 to June 30, 2019,

- **third shift:** from July 15 to July 21, 2019,

Kaluga region;

**in the " Smolenskoe Poozerie" national park:** from June 3 to June 17, 2019, Przhevalskoe village, Demidovsky district, Smolensk region;

**in the "Alanya" national park:** from July 1 to July 15, 2019, Kamata village, Irafsky district, Republic of North Ossetia-Alania;

**in Barguzinsky reserve and Zabaikalsky national park\*:** from July 15 to July 30, 2019, Ust-Barguzin village, Republic of Buryatia;

**in the "Kurshskaya kosa" national park \*:** from July 17 to July 23, 2019, Kaliningrad region;

**in the "Kerzhensky" reserve\*:** from August 5 to August 18, 2019, Rusta village, Nizhny Novgorod region;

**in the nature reserve "Katunskiy"\*:** from August 5 to August 18, 2019, Ust' – Koksa village, Altai republic.

1.5. The purpose of the Event is the improvement of environmental and educational trails, construction of tourist infrastructure, assistance in household works, gardening and garbage collection on the especially protected natural territory. Requirements for participants are indicated in section 5 of this document.

1.6. Participation in the contests implies the acceptance of this Regulation, which is published on the official website of the Organization ([www.rgo.ru](http://www.rgo.ru)) and the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

## **2. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

2.1. The main goals of the Contests:

2.1.1. Providing opportunities for young people to participate in one of the unique projects of the Society.

2.1.2. Attracting the attention and interest of young people to the study and preservation of the natural and cultural heritage of our country.

2.1.3. Promoting the expedition and volunteer activities of the Society.

2.2. The main objectives of the contests:

2.2.1. Involvement of young people to the activities of Society, involvement them to the participation in ecological and educational camps, the formation of a volunteer base to participate in socially significant projects of the Society.

### **3. FUNCTIONS AND REGULATIONS OF THE SELECTION COMMITTEE**

3.1. The Selection Committee of Competitions (hereinafter – the Commission) is formed from the representatives of the Society and approved by the Executive Directorate of the Society.

3.2. Functions of the Commission:

3.2.1. Acceptance of applications for participation in competitions.

3.2.2. Formation of the data base of participants' applications.

3.2.3. Collection of participants' documents according to the requirements, specified in section 5 of this Regulation.

3.2.4. Selection of volunteers for participation in the Event according to the requirements specified in section 5 of this Regulation.

3.3. All decisions of the Commission are taken collectively and made with protocols.

3.4. Decisions of the Commission are considered to be adopted by a simple majority vote, if the meeting was attended by more than half of the total commission member.

### **4. REGULATION OF CARRYING OUT THE COMPETITIONS**

4.1. Competitions are held on **from February 28 to April 20, 2019** and involve:

4.1.1. Announcement of the beginning of competitions on the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.1.2. Announcement of competitions on the company's website ([www.rgo.ru](http://www.rgo.ru)), in the media and on the websites of the media partners.

4.1.3. Placement of information about competitions and questionnaires for applicants on the Youth portal PRO (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.1.4. Registration of participants by filling in the questionnaires placed on the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

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

4.1.6. Providing recommendations from the regional Department of Russian Geographical Society signed by the Chairman of the regional office of the Society (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. Providing recommendations from the head of the Youth club of the RGS (in case of participation in the work of Youth clubs, in electronic form on the Youth portal of the RGS <http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.2. The Commission's work is carried out in the period **from April 21 to April 26, 2019** and ends with the publication of the list of participants on the website of the RGS ([www.rgo.ru](http://www.rgo.ru)), and on the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>).

4.3. In the period **from April 27 to May 5, 2019** the winners of the Competitions have to confirm their participation in the Event, as well as till May 12, 2019 they have to provide the Commission with the documents in accordance with the requirements for the selection of participants specified in section 5 of this Regulation, by email [expedition@rgo.ru](mailto:expedition@rgo.ru) on the basis of the letter with confirmation of successful passing of competitions.

## **5. REQUIREMENTS FOR SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS FOR THE CONTESTS**

5.1. **Age.** From 18 (full) to 35 years (inclusive).

5.2. **Education.** Higher, unfinished higher, secondary special and secondary general education. Faculties – history, geography, theory and history culture, ethnology, etc., as well as social leaders, leading their activities in the field of geography and related sciences. Other specialties are possible if there is evidently strong motivation (professional passion for history, archaeology, geography, etc., experience in such expeditions.)

5.3. **State of health.** Compliance with the health group 1-2. Absence of contraindications for participation in the Event.

5.4. **Motivation.** Strong interest in the theme of the Event, reasonable motivation for participation in the Event (formulated in the questionnaire).

**5.5. *Personal qualities required for participation in the Event:***

5.5.1. Wish to live and work in the field.

5.5.2. Strict observance of the:

- travel diet designated for the Events;
- prohibition of the use of any alcoholic beverages, drugs and other prohibited to free circulation on the Russian territory things throughout the time of Events.

**5.6. *Documents required in the framework of Competitions.*** Provision of documents in electronic form at the Youth portal of the RGS (<http://mk.rgo.ru>) for consideration by the Commission, namely:

5.6.1. The participant application.

5.6.2. Recommendations from the head of the organization/department/faculty or supervisor with indication of specific achievements with signature and decoding of the surname.

5.6.3. Recommendations from the regional office of the Russian Geographical Society signed by the Chairman of the regional office of the Society (in case of membership in the Society or participation in its projects, if any)

5.6.4. Recommendations from the head of the Youth club of the RGS (in the case of participation in the activities of Youth clubs of the RGS, if any).

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

**5.7. *Documents required to confirm the participation in the Event (in in case of successful passing of Competitions).*** Provision for consideration by Selection Committee of the documents (provision with scanned copies via email [expedition@rgo.ru](mailto:expedition@rgo.ru) with the obligatory indication of the surname of the participant in the subject line), namely:

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

5.7.2. Copies of passport (all filled pages).

5.7.3. Certificates from the place of study (work) or a copy of the student card.

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

***\*It is obligatory to provide a certificate of having the timely vaccination against encephalitis, confirming the presence of immunity before the Event.***

5.7.5. Health insurance policy valid on the territory of the Russian Federation during the Event.

5.7.6. References from the narcological dispensary at the place of permanent registration.

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

***5.8. For foreign participants the Society provides a visa support. You must have all the documents that are necessary for visa, air tickets and registration on the territory of the Russian Federation.***

5.9. The Society does not give written or oral explanations on the reasons for acceptance the decisions on the results of consideration of applications.

5.10. In case of failure to provide the documents indicated in paragraph 5.7 the Commission has the right to refuse in participation in the Event.

5.12. Event organizers have the right to expel participants during the Event for violation of the requirements of safety precautions and rules of behavior specified in paragraph 5.5.2 of this Regulation. Travel from the event venue to the venue of residence is carried out at the expense of the participant.