

HOW TO GET THE RUSSIAN VISA

In accordance with the Agreement between the Russian Federation and the European Union (the EU) on the facilitation of issuing visas to citizens of Russia and the EU the following procedure for arranging business trips is introduced. (Participation in sport competitions falls under the given definition).

Citizens from the EU countries (25 countries) can apply for Russian business visa upon receiving direct invitations from their Russian partners (the Russian Triathlon Federation is a partner of all European triathlon federations in these competitions).

Here is a list of countries, members of the EU, the Agreement applies to:

Austria, Belgium, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Denmark, Spain, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Germany, Finland, France, Czech Republic, Sweden and Estonia.

As for athletes from other European countries, the Russian Triathlon Federation together with the Ministry of Sport and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation will provide them with an express visa support. For all questions concerning visa support feel free to contact Mr. Valery Kalashnov at: **Penzatriathlon2014@gmail.com**.

Entry Visas are not required for athletes from the CIS countries.

To receive an invitation to the competitions you'll have to send an e-mail to the Russian Triathlon Federation with a list of athletes, coaches and officials including their passport details (first and last name, date of birth, passport number, passport expiration date, arrival and departure dates):

#	first and last name	date of birth	passport number	passport expiration date	arrival	departure
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