

Information on legislation of the Russian Federation in the field of ensuring legal order and public security during the official sport competitions

The legislation of the Russian Federation specified the Rules of conduct of the spectators during the official sport competitions¹, According to the said Rules in places where the official sport competitions are conducted the spectators are forbidden to:

a) be in a state of drunkenness inconsistent with human dignity and public morality;

b) commit acts threatening own security, life and health as well as security, life and health of other people staying in a place where an official sport competition is conducted or on the adjoining territory;

c) throw objects towards other spectators, participants of the official sport competitions and other people staying in a place where an official sport competition is conducted or on the adjoining territory;

d) insult other people (including with the use of banners, placards and other means of visual propaganda) and commit other acts affecting the honor and dignity or commercial reputation, inciting hatred and enmity and humiliating dignity of a person or group of persons on the grounds of gender, race, ethnic origin, descent, religious convictions;

e) hide the face including with the use of masks except for the cases specially foreseen by the organizers of an official sport competition, as well as with the use of means of camouflage and other objects meant for hindering identification;

f) offend public morality and norms of behavior by exhibiting intimate parts of the body while staying in the places where official sport competitions are conducted;

g) penetrate the places where official sport competitions are conducted or the adjoining territory and the zones not designated in the entry ticket or in a similar document (technical rooms, zones for the guests of honor, areas for mass media representatives) access whereto is restricted by the organizers of an official sport competition and(or) proprietor (user) of the sport installation;

h) stay in the staircases during an official sport event, disturb the movement in the areas of the places where the official sport events are conducted meant for evacuation, including passages, exits and entries (main and emergency);

i) make inscriptions and drawings on the constructions, buildings and premises located in the places where the official sport events are conducted as well as place in their vicinity foreign object without consent of the organizers of an official sport competition and(or) proprietor (user) of the sport installation;

j) arrive to the places where the official sport competitions are conducted with animals and birds, except for leading dogs in muzzles;

k) organize public events not foreseen in the program (procedural rules) of an official sport competition;

¹Rules of conduct of the spectators during the official sport competitions, adopted by the Decree of the Government of the Russian Federation of 16 December 2013, No. 1156. Hereinafter - the Rules.

l) bring to the places where the official sport competitions are conducted and use:

arms of any kind including means of self-defense, ammunitions, piercing and cutting objects and other objects which can be used as arms, explosive, poisonous, strong-smelling substances and radioactive materials;

inflammable and pyrotechnic substances and articles (except for matches and pocket lighters), including signal rockets, flares, petards, gas balloons and objects (chemical materials) which can be used for fabrication of pyrotechnical articles and smokes;

other substances, objects and articles, including homemade ones the use of which can result in fumigation and inflammation;

non-pyrotechnical devices and articles, including homemade ones used for scattering, spraying of various materials and substances (pneumatic petards);

coloring agents;

wind instruments meant to produce sounds (including vuvuzelas) except for horns and pipes;

alcoholic drinks of any kind, narcotic and toxic substances and stimulants;

cold drinks in glass bottles or cans as well as in plastic bottles of a capacity exceeding 0.5 liter;

promotional materials of extremist nature or containing the Nazi emblems or symbols or emblems and symbols of the extremist organizations;

technical devices capable to disturb running of an official sport competition or its participants (laser devices, flashlights), radio stations, sound amplifiers (except for the means of support approved in advance by the organizers of the sport competitions);

bulky objects incommoding other spectators except in cases when such objects are agreed with the organizers of an official sport competition;

m) exercise illegal trade (including sale of entry tickets and similar documents), distribute by any means materials of political religious and racist nature (including placards, leaflets, booklets)².

The legislation of the Russian Federation³ provides for liability for violation of the Rules of conduct of the spectators during the official sport competitions⁴. This liability includes an administrative fine in the amount of three thousand to ten thousand rubles or obligatory works for a term of up to one hundred and sixty hours with or without an administrative ban on attending places where the official sport competitions are being conducted for a term of six months to three years.

Repeated commission of the said administrative offences by a foreign citizen or stateless person is punished by an administrative fine in the amount of ten thousand to fifteen thousand rubles with administrative expulsion beyond the territory of the Russian Federation or by administrative arrest for a term of up to fifteen days with administrative expulsion beyond the territory of the Russian Federation.

² Art. 5 of the Rules.

³ Code of Administrative Offences of the Russian Federation. Hereinafter — the CAO>

⁴Art. 20.31 of the CJIO.

Gross violation of the Rules of conduct of the spectators during the official sport competitions committed by a foreign citizen or stateless person, if these acts don't constitute criminal offence, is punished by an administrative fine in the amount of ten thousand to twenty thousand rubles with administrative expulsion beyond the territory of the Russian Federation or by administrative arrest for a term of up to fifteen days with administrative expulsion beyond the territory of the Russian Federation.

The following acts are considered as gross violation of the Rules of conduct of the spectators during the official sport competitions:

acts threatening own security, life and health as well as security, life and health of other people staying in a place where an official sport competition is conducted or on the adjoining territory;

violation of the Rules of conduct of the spectators during the official sport competitions resulting in suspension or interruption of an official sport competition.

The legislation of the Russian Federation provides also liability for commission of the following administrative offences not linked directly with sport competitions:

minor hooliganism, i.e. violation of public order by flagrant contempt of society accompanied by foul language in public places, importunity as well as degradation or destruction of other persons' property ;

organization of blocking of transport communications as well as active participation in such blocking^{5 6};

оскорбление, то есть унижение чести и достоинства другого лица, выраженное в неприличной форме⁷;

propaganda or public demonstration of the Nazi emblems and symbols or emblems or symbols of the extremist organizations or others emblems and symbols demonstration of which is forbidden by the federal laws⁸;

consumption of alcoholic drinks in the places where it is forbidden or consumption of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, new potentially dangerous psychoactive substances or intoxicating substances in public places⁹, including all kinds of public transport and areas used and meant for recreation and tourism.

staying in the streets, stadia, squares, parks, public transport and other public places in a state of drunkenness inconsistent with human dignity and public morality¹⁰;

violation of ban on smoking in certain areas, rooms and premises established by the federal law¹¹, including all means of public transport, public catering enterprises, living rooms, hotels, on the territories and in the premises intended for sport activities;

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disturbance of silence and quiet at nighttime¹². In various regions of the Russian Federation the nighttime is a period of time from 22h00 to 8h00. Acts disturbing silence and quiet at nighttime include playing musical instruments, cries, whistle, singing, use of

⁵ Art. 20.1 CAO.

^c Art. 20.18 CAO.

⁷ Art. 5.61 CAO.

⁸ Art. 20.3 CAO.

⁹ Art. 20.20 CAO.

¹⁰ Art. 20.21 CAO,

¹¹ Art. 6.24 CAO.

¹² According to Art. 1.1 of the CAO this norm of conduct and liability for its violation is fixed by regional authorities of the Russian Federation.

pyrotechnical articles,

According to the provisions of the Russian legislation administrative detention can be applied towards the offenders in order to ensure due administrative registration of the offence.

Administrative detention is a short-term restriction of liberty of an individual and can be applied only in exceptional cases, if is necessary to ensure correct and timely consideration of the case of administrative offence and execution of the decision made in this connection.

The term of administrative detention cannot exceed three hours. In exceptional cases, in particular when administrative arrest or administrative expulsion beyond the territory of the Russian Federation can be chosen in respect of the detained person as one of the measures of punishment, the term of administrative detention can be extended to a term not exceeding 48 hours.

Proceedings in the framework of the cases of administrative offences are conducted in the Russian language. For the participants of the proceedings who don't know Russian the right is ensured to give evidence, submit requests, challenges and complaints in the native language or other freely chosen language as well as to make use of an interpreter's services. Any adult disinterested person knowing necessary languages can be engaged as interpreter.

Detained persons are kept in special rooms in the premises of the bodies of the Interior or in special institutions established by the executive authorities of the Russian Federation in line with existing procedures.