VISA SUPPORT PROCEDURE FOR THE 2017 FORMULA 1 RUSSIAN GRAND PRIX

On behalf of the Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix, we would like to offer you the visa support procedure for the 2017 Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix in Sochi, Russia.

A special simplified visa support procedure approved by the Government of the Russian Federation is provided for the participants of the 2017 Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix, and it is the same as before.

In order to receive an invitation letter for a Russian visa for the 2017 Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix, please email the following documents to visasupport@sochiautodrom.ru:

- Completed application form (please see attached);
- Scanned copy of your passport/scanned copies of your passports.

The passport should be valid for at least 6 months after the visa expiry date.

The applicants can obtain a single or a double entry Russian visa based on the invitation letters issued on the official letterhead of the Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix Organizing Committee.

For the Media/Press category only single entry visas are available.

A single-entry visa means that a person can enter and leave the Russian Federation only once within the validity period of the visa (up to 90 days).

A double-entry visa means that a person can enter and leave the Russian Federation once or twice within the validity period of the visa (up to 90 days).

Any foreign national (regardless of his/her citizenship) holding an official letter from the Formula 1 Russian Grand Prix Organizing Committee can obtain a Russian visa at Diplomatic Missions and Consular offices of the Russian Federation located outside of the Russian Federation submitting the set of documents mentioned below.

The set of documents for a Russian entry visa is as follows:

- Valid passport (passport should be valid for at least 6 months after the visa expiry date);
- Scanned copy of an invitation letter received from us;
- Application form (https://visa.kdmid.ru/PetitionChoice.aspx);
- 1 photo (3.5 x 4.5 cm, colour or black-and-white);
- Insurance:
- Visa fee.

A team's representative can submit documents and receive the visas on behalf of the whole team, however we would like to remind you that, according to the Executive Order of the President of the Russian Federation "On collecting biometric data of foreign nationals and stateless persons", foreign nationals (regardless of the nationality of the applicant) and stateless persons applying for Russian visas at the Diplomatic Missions and Consular offices of the Russian Federation in the following countries are required to submit their biometric data for collection in person:

- United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland,
- Denmark,
- Myanmar,
- Namibia.

The same procedure will also be used by the Russian Foreign Ministry's representative office at the border crossing point in Vnukovo International Airport.

Visa processing times are:

Up to 5 days-regular consular fee.

1-3 days - express consular fee.

Please note that the Diplomatic Missions and Consular offices of the Russian Federation will be closed during the following periods for national holidays:

23-26 February 2017

8 March 2017