

Constitution of the Russian Federation

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Preamble

We, the multinational people of the Russian Federation, united by a common destiny on our land, asserting human rights and liberties, civil peace and accord, preserving the historic unity of the state, proceeding from the commonly recognized principles of equality and self-determination of the peoples honoring the memory of our ancestors, who have passed on to us love of and respect for our homeland and faith in good and justice, reviving the sovereign statehood of Russia and asserting its immutable democratic foundations, striving to secure the well-being and prosperity of Russia and proceeding from a sense of responsibility for our homeland before the present and future generations, and being aware of ourselves as part of the world community, hereby approve the

Section One

Chapter 1. Fundamentals of the Constitutional System

Article 6

1. Citizenship of the Russian Federation shall be acquired and terminated in accordance with the Federal law, and shall be one and equal irrespective of the grounds on which it has been acquired.
2. Every citizen of the Russian Federation shall have all the rights and liberties on its territory and bear equal duties, stipulated by the Constitution of the Russian Federation.
3. A citizen of the Russian Federation may not be stripped of citizenship or of the right to change it.

Chapter 2. Rights and Liberties of Man and Citizen

Article 26

1. Everyone shall have the right to determine and state his national identity. No one can be forced to determine and state his national identity.

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Article 62

1. The citizen of the Russian Federation may have the citizenship of a foreign state (dual citizenship) in conformity with the federal law or international treaty of the Russian Federation.
2. Possession of the citizenship of a foreign state by the citizen of the Russian Federation shall not belittle his or her ranks and liberties or exempt him or her from the duties stemming from Russian citizenship unless otherwise stipulated by the federal law or international treaty of the Russian Federation.
3. Foreign citizens and stateless persons shall enjoy in the Russian Federation the rights of its citizens and bear their duties with the exception of cases stipulated by the federal law or international treaty of the Russian Federation.

Chapter 3. Russian Federation

Article 71

The jurisdiction of the Russian Federation shall include:

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c) regulation and protection of the rights and liberties of the human being and citizen; citizenship of the Russian Federation; regulation and protection of the rights of national minorities;

Chapter 4. President of the Russian Federation

Article 89

The President of the Russian Federation shall:

- a. resolve issues of citizenship of the Russian Federation and of granting political asylum;