**The Procedure of Obtaining Entry Visas to Russia**

**for the Participants of the World Championship in Artistic Fencing**

**in Kolomna, July 20-25 2016.**

1. The country (academy, team) notifies the organizers as soon as possible about their intention to participate in the World Championship in a free-form message by an email sent to artfencing.rus@gmail.com

2. The organizers notify Russian consulates of the participating countries through the Ministry of Sports and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and send them a sample invitation.

3. The country (academy, team) sends as soon as possible a request to the organizers for obtaining visas for all team members, providing their personal data in accordance with the attached form. This must be done not later than April 30, 2016. Besides that, the address to which invitations to participate in the World Championship will be sent, must be provided.

4. The organizers provide the participants with invitations to enter Russia to take part in the World Championship, in accordance with the form available at the consulate.

5. The participants address Russian Consulate in their country and submit that invitation.

6. Russian consulates issue visas under a simplified procedure.