

**FEDERAL LAW NO. 128-FZ OF AUGUST 8, 2001 ON LICENSING SPECIFIC TYPES OF ACTIVITY
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Article 1. The Applicability of the Present Federal Law

1. The present Federal Law regulates relationships occurring between the federal executive bodies, the executive bodies of Russian regions, legal entities and individual entrepreneurs in connection with the licensing of specific types of activity in compliance with the list provided in Item 1 Article 17 of the present Federal Law.

2. The present Federal Law shall not extend to the following types of activity:

- activities of credit organisations;
- activities relating to the protection of state secrets;
- activities in the field of production and sale of ethyl alcohol, alcohol products and alcohol-containing products;
- activities in the field of communications;
- market activity;
- customs activity;
- notarial activity;
- insurance activity;
- activities of professional participants in the securities market;
- accomplishment of foreign economic transactions;
- acquisition of weapons and cartridges for them;
- the use of results of intellectual activity;
- the use of satellite-frequency resources and radio frequencies for television and radio broadcasting (including additional information broadcasting);
- the use of natural resources, in particular, mineral, forests, plant and animal objects;
- activities, works and services in the field of atomic energy use;
- educational activity;
- activities of an investment fund;
- activities of managing investment funds, unit investment trusts and non-governmental pension funds;
- activities of a specialized custodian of investment funds, unit investment trusts and non-governmental pension funds;
- activities of non-governmental pension funds as to pension provision and pension insurance.

Article 2. Basic Terms

The following basic terms are used for the purposes of the present Federal Law:

"license" means a special permit to pursue a specific activity in compulsory observance of license terms and conditions, which is issued by a licensor to a legal entity or an individual entrepreneur;

"licensed activity" means an activity that requires a license on the territory of the Russian Federation under the present Federal Law;

licensing means measures relating to granting licences and remaking documents that prove the existence of licences, suspension of licences in the event of the administrative suspension of licensees' activities for failure to meet the licence requirements and terms, resumption or termination of licences, cancellation of licenses and control exercised by licensing authorities over the observance of relevant licence requirements and terms by licensees as they pursue licensed activity, keeping registers of licences, as well as granting in the established procedure to concerned persons data from the registers of licences and other information on licensing;

"license terms and conditions" means the aggregate of the terms and conditions established by regulations on the licensing of specific types of activity which are binding on a licensee in the pursuance of a licensed activity;

"licensors" means the federal executive power bodies, executive power bodies of Russian regions responsible for licensing under the present Federal Law;

"licensee" is a legal entity or an individual entrepreneur holding a license for the pursuance of a specific activity;

"applicant for a license" means a legal entity or an individual entrepreneur which has filed a license application with a licensor to obtain a license for the pursuance of a specific activity;

"register of licenses" means the aggregate of information on the granting of licenses, re-making of documents confirming the existence of licenses, the suspension and resumption of licenses and the annulment of licenses.

Article 3. Basic Licensing Principles

Below are the basic licensing principles:

- ensuring the existence of a single economic space on the territory of the Russian Federation;
- providing a single list of licensed types of activity;
- establishing a uniform licensing procedure on the territory of the Russian Federation;
- establishing license terms and conditions by means of issuing regulations on the licensing of specific types of activity;
- ensuring the transparent nature of licensing;
- ensuring the observance of law in licensing.

Article 4. Criteria for Determining Licensed Activities

The licensed activities shall include types of activity capable of harming the rights, lawful interests and health of citizens, national defence and security, and the cultural heritage of the peoples of the Russian Federation, which cannot be regulated by methods other than licensing.

Article 5. Powers of the Government of the Russian Federation in Respect of Licensing

For the purposes of ensuring the existence of a single economic space of the territory of the Russian Federation the Government of the Russian Federation shall do the following pursuant to the major guidelines of the state's domestic policy set out by the President of the Russian Federation:

- endorse regulations on the licensing of specific types of activity;
- designate the federal executive bodies responsible for the licensing of specific types of activity;
- determine the types of activity to be licensed by the executive bodies of Russian regions.

Article 6. Powers of Licensors

1. Licensors shall exercise the following powers:

- issue licenses;
- re-make documents confirming the existence of licenses;
- suspend licences in the event of the administrative suspension of a licensee's activities for failure to meet licence requirements and terms and to resume licences;
- cancellation of licences in the instance provided for by Item 3 of Article 13 of this Federal Law;
- keeping registers of licences providing persons concerned with data from registers of licences and other information on licensing;
- monitor licensees' observance of license terms and conditions as they pursue licensed activities;
- filing applications with court for cancellation of licences.

The procedure for licensors to exercise their powers shall be established by regulations on licensing specific types of activity.

2. Licensing bodies shall form public and generally accessible state informational resources containing data from registers of licences, regulations on licensing specific types of activities, as well as technical regulations and other normative legal acts of the Russian Federation establishing obligatory requirements to licensed types of activities, except for the instances when for the purpose of keeping state and official secrets a free access to such resources is restricted in compliance with the laws of the Russian Federation.

Article 7. The Effect of a License

1. A license shall be issued for each of the activities specified in Item 1 Article 17 of the present Federal Law.

An activity for the pursuance of which a license has been issued shall be pursued only by the legal entity or individual entrepreneur which holds the license.

2. An activity for the pursuance of which a license has been issued by a federal executive body or an executive body of a Russian region may be pursued throughout the territory of the Russian Federation. An activity for the pursuance of which a license has been issued by a licensor of a Russian region may be pursued on the territories of other Russian regions if the licensee notifies the licensors of these Russian regions in compliance with the procedure established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

Article 8. The Effective Term of a License

The effective term of a license shall not be less than five years. The effective term of a license may be extended upon its expiry on a licensee's application.

The effective term of a license shall be extended in the manner applicable in the re-making of a document confirming the existence of a license.

Regulations on licensing specific types of activity may envisage an infinite effective term of a license.

Article 9. Making the Decision to Issue a License

1. For the purpose of obtaining a licence the licence applicant shall file with the licensing authority the application for granting the licence where the following shall be indicated:

full and shortened (if any) denomination, including firm's name, and organizational and legal form of the legal entity, location thereof, addresses of exercising the activity to be licensed which the applicant intends to exercise, state registration number of the entry on establishing the legal entity and data of the document proving the fact of entering data on the legal entity to the Comprehensive State Register of Legal Entities - in respect of a legal entity;

family name, first name and patronymic (if any) of the individual businessman, place of residence thereof, addresses of the places of exercising the type of activity to be licensed which the applicant intends to exercise, data of the document certifying his identity, basic state registration number of the entry on the state registration of the individual businessman and data of the document proving the fact of entering data on the individual businessman to the Comprehensive State Register of Individual Businessmen - in respect of an individual businessman;

taxpayer's identification number and data of the document on registration of the licence applicant with tax authorities;

type of activity to be licensed in compliance with Item 1 of Article 17 of this Federal Law which the licence applicant intends to exercise.

The following documents shall be attached to the application:

copies of the constituent documents (submitting the originals thereof, if the copies' accuracy is not attested and certified by a notary) - in respect of a legal entity;

document proving payment of the state duty for consideration of the application for granting the licence by the licensing authorities;

copies of the documents whose list is determined by the regulations on licensing a specific type of activity and which certify the licence applicant's ability to meet the licence requirements and terms, including copies of the documents whose availability is provided for by the federal laws when exercising the type of activity to be licensed.

The licensing authority shall not be entitled to demand of a licence applicant the submission of the documents that are not provided for by this Federal Law.

The application for granting the licence and the documents attached thereto shall be accepted on the date of their receipt by the licensing authority according to an inventory thereof whose copy bearing a note on the date of acceptance of the said application and the documents shall be directed (handed in) to the licence applicant.

The licensing authority shall verify the completeness and reliability of the data on a licence applicant contained in the application and documents submitted by the licence applicant, as well as shall verify the licence applicant's ability to meet the licence requirements and terms in the procedure provided for by Article 12 of this Federal Law.

2. The licensing authority shall decide on granting the licence or on the refusal to grant the licence within the time period of forty five days at the most as of the date of receiving the application for granting the licence and the documents attached thereto. The said decision shall be legalized by the appropriate act of the licensing authority.

A shorter term for making the decision whether or not to grant a license may be set by regulations on the licensing of specific types of activity.

Within the said term the licensor shall notify the license applicant of the decision made whereby the license is granted or refused.

A notice of a license having been granted shall be forwarded (delivered) to the license applicant in writing.

A notice on the refusal to grant the licence shall be directed (handed in) to the licence applicant in writing indicating the reasons for the refusal, including the requisite elements of the act of verification of the licence applicant's ability to comply with the licence requirements and terms, if the reason for the refusal was the licence applicant's lack of ability to meet the said requirements and terms.

Within three days after the date when the license applicant presents a document confirming that the state duty has been paid the licensor shall hand out a document confirming the existence of the license to the licensee free of charge.

In the event of the loss of the document proving the presence of the licence, the licences shall be entitled to receive a duplicate of the said document that shall be issued to him on the basis of his application in writing.

The licences shall be entitled to receive copies of the document proving the presence of the licence that are attested by the licensing authority.

A duplicate or a copy of the document proving the presence of the licence shall be presented to the licences for payment in the amount of 10 roubles.

3. Below are the grounds for refusal to grant a license:

the presence of unreliable or distorted information in the documents filed by the license applicant;
the failure of the license applicant or the failure of the facilities owned or used by the licensee to comply with license terms and conditions.

The issuance of a license shall not be refused on the ground of the applicant's actual or planned amount of products (works, services) output.

4. The license applicant shall be entitled to appeal against the licensor's decision whereby the license is refused on the licensor's omission, in the manner established under Russian law.

5. The licences shall be obliged to inform the licensing authority on changes in the data on the addresses of the places of exercising the licensed type of activity at the latest in fifteen days as of the date of such change.

6. On the basis of an application of a licence applicant or licences, a simplified licensing procedure may be applied in respect of specific types of activity which are licensed for the purpose of protection of property rights and legitimate interests of citizens, provided that the licence applicant or licences make a contract of civil liability insurance or that the licences has the certificate of compliance of the licensed type of activity exercised by him with international standards.

A procedure for licensing (general procedure for licensing or a simplified procedure for licensing) or the return to the previously applied procedure for licensing shall be selected by a licence applicant or licences independently.

A licence applicant which has expressed his wish to exercise the type of activity to be licensed and which has selected a simplified licensing procedure shall file with the appropriate licensing authority the application and documents provided for by Item 1 of this Article, except for the documents whose list is determined by the regulations on licensing a specific type of activity, as well as a copy of the contract of civil liability insurance (submitting the original thereof, if the accuracy of the copy is not attested and certified by a notary).

In the event of applying a simplified licensing procedure, a decision on granting the licence or on the refusal to grant it shall be rendered by the licensing authority within the time period of fifteen days at the most as of the date of receiving an application for granting the licence and the documents attached thereto.

A licences which has expressed his wish to pass over to a simplified licensing procedure shall direct or submit to the appropriate licensing authority an application for the transfer to the simplified licensing procedure attaching a copy of the contract of civil liability insurance or a copy of the certificate of compliance of the licensed type of activity exercised by it with international standards (presenting the original thereof, if the accuracy of the copy is not attested and certified by a notary).

Planned inspections of compliance of the activities of a licences that has selected a simplified licensing procedure with the licence requirements and terms shall not be held.

The duration of a contract of civil liability insurance or the duration of the certificate of compliance of the licensed type of activity exercised by a licensee with international standards must not be less than the duration of the licence.

A licensee shall be obliged to notify the licensing authority of the termination of validity of a contract of civil liability insurance or a certificate of compliance of the licensed type of activity exercised by a licensee with international standards, or on the extension of the validity term of the said contract, within fifteen days as of the date of termination of the validity term of the said documents or of the extension of the contract's term of validity.

In the event of termination of validity of a contract of civil liability insurance or a certificate of compliance of the licensed type of activity exercised by a licensee with international standards, the licensee shall be entitled to exercise the licensed type of activity in respect of which a general licensing procedure is applied, pending the expiry of the licence's duration.

A simplified licensing procedure may be applied on condition of making by a licensee applicant or licences a contract of civil liability insurance or if a licensee has the certificate of compliance of the licensed type of activity exercised by the licensee with international standards in respect of licensing the following types of activity:

the operation of blast and fire hazard production facilities;
activity of restoration of cultural heritage units (historical and cultural monuments);
freight carriage by sea;
freight carriage by inland water transport;
freight carriage by air;
freight carriage by rail;
freight luggage carriage by rail;

freight transportation (freight movement without making a contract of carriage) by railways of general use, except for the removal of delivered freight from show railways and return thereof to show railways;

loading and unloading activities as applied to hazardous freight on inland water transport;

loading and unloading activities as applied to hazardous freight in sea ports;

loading and unloading activities as applied to hazardous freight on railway transport;

activity of towing by sea transport (except for the instance when the said activity is exercised for the purpose of satisfying the own needs of a legal entity or individual businessman).

A list of certificates of compliance of the licensed type of activity exercised by a licensee with international standards, as well as the essential terms of the contract of civil liability insurance of a licence applicant or licensee, in the presence of which a simplified licensing procedure can be applied, shall be established by the Government of the Russian Federation.

In the event of applying a simplified licensing procedure, the verification of a licence applicant's ability to meet the licence requirements and terms shall not be effected by the licensing authority.

7. The licensing authority within five working days as of the date of its rendering a decision on granting the licence, re-making the document proving the presence of the licence, suspending the licence in the event of receiving information on the entry into legal force of a court decision on the administrative suspension of a licensee's activities for failure to meet licence requirements and terms, resumption or termination of the licence, as well as from the date of the entry into legal force of a court decision on cancellation of the licence, shall direct a copy of the document proving the adoption of the appropriate decision with a covering letter attached thereto to the federal executive body authorised to effect the state registration of legal entities and individual businessmen at the location (place of residence) of the licence applicant or licences.

Article 10. Content of the Document Proving the Presence of a Licence and of the Decision Whereby a Licence Is Granted

1. The following shall be indicated in the decision on granting a licence and in the document proving the presence of a licence:

denomination of the licensing authority;

full and shortened (if any) denomination, including firm's name, and organizational and legal form of the legal entity, location thereof, addresses of places of exercising the activity to be licensed, state registration number of the entry on establishing the legal entity;

family name, first name and patronymic (if any) of the individual businessman, place of residence thereof, addresses of the places of exercising the type of activity to be licensed, data of the document certifying his identity, basic state registration number of the entry on the state registration of the individual businessman;

licensed types of activity (indicating works carried out and services rendered when exercising the types of activity specified in Item 2 of Article 17 of this Federal Law);

duration of the licence;

taxpayer identification number;

number of the licence;

date of rendering a decision of granting the licence.

2. The document proving the presence of a licence shall be drawn up using the form of the appropriate licensing authority -of a federal executive body or of an executive body of a subject of the Russian Federation according to the form endorsed by the Government of the Russian Federation in two copies, one of them to be directed (handed in) to the licence applicant and the other one to be kept in the licensee's case-file.

3. The application of a licence applicant or the licensee and the documents attached thereto, acts of the licensing authority on granting a licence, on the refusal to grant a licence, on re-making the document proving the presence of a licence, on suspending a licence in the event of the administrative suspension of a licensee's activities for failure to meet the licence requirements and terms, resumption or termination of a licence, one copy of the document proving the presence of a licence, copies of the acts of inspections of a licence applicant or licensee held by the licensing authority and other documents shall form the licence case-file of the licence applicant or licensee and shall be subject to keeping by the licensing authority in the procedure established by the licensing authority.

Article 11. Re-Making the Document Confirming the Issue of a Licence

1. In the event of re-organisation of a legal entity in the form of transformation, alteration of its denomination or location, or alteration of the name and place of residence of an individual businessman, as well as in the event of alteration of the addresses of exercising by a legal entity or individual businessman the licensed type of activities and in other cases provided for by federal laws, the licensee, the legal successor thereof or other person provided for by a federal law are be obliged to file an

application for re-making the document proving the presence of the licence. In the application shall be stated new data on the licensee, the legal successor thereof or other person provided for by a federal law and data of the document proving the fact of making the appropriate amendments to the comprehensive state register of legal entities or the comprehensive state register of individual businessmen.

The application for re-making the document proving the presence of the licence shall be filed by a licensee with the licensing authority at the latest in fifteen days as of the date of making the appropriate amendments to the Comprehensive State Register of Legal Entities or to the Comprehensive State Register of Individual Businessmen or as of the date of changing the addresses of the places of exercising by a legal entity or individual businessman of the licensed type of activities, if not otherwise provided for by federal laws.

In the event of reorganising legal entities in the form of merger, if each legal entity participating in the merger has on the date of the state registration of the legal successor of the reorganized legal entities the licence for the same type of activity, such legal successor shall be entitled to file an application for re-making the document proving the presence of the licence in the procedure provided for by this Article.

Re-making the document that proves the presence of the licence may be denied in the event of presenting by a licensee or a legal successor thereof incomplete or unreliable data.

A notice on the refusal to re-make the document proving the presence of a licence shall be directed (handed in) to a licensee or a legal successor thereof in writing indicating the reasons for the refusal.

2. In the event of a re-making of the document confirming the issue of a license the licensor shall make appropriate amendments to the register of licenses. The re-making of the document confirming the issue of a license shall be completed within ten days after the receipt of a relevant application by the licensor.

3. The state duty shall be charged in the amount and in the procedure established by the laws of the Russian Federation on taxes and fees for the re-making of the document confirming the issue of a license.

Article 12. Licence Control

1. Licence control shall be exercised by the licensing authority for the purpose of verifying the completeness and reliability of the data on a licence applicant contained in the application and documents submitted by the licence applicant, its ability to meet the licence requirements and terms, as well as for the purpose of verifying data on the licensee and its compliance with licence requirements and terms while exercising the licensed type of activity.

2. The data specified in Item 1 of this Article shall be verified by way of comparing such data with the data of the Comprehensive State Register of Legal Entities or the Comprehensive State Register of Individual Businessmen. A licensing authority shall receive the appropriate information in the procedure established by the Government of the Russian Federation from the federal executive body authorized to effect the state registration of legal entities and individual businessmen.

3. To the relations connected with the verification by a licensing body of a licence applicant's ability to meet the said requirements and terms while exercising the licensed type of activity, the provisions of Federal Law No. 134-FZ of August 8, 2001 on the Protection of Legal Entities and Individual Businessmen When Exercising State Control (Supervision) shall apply.

Article 13. Suspending a Licence and Cancelling a Licence

1. A licence shall be suspended by a licensing authority in the event of bringing a licensee to administrative responsibility for failure to meet licence requirements and terms in the procedure established by the Code of Administrative Offences of the Russian Federation.

In the event of a judge's deciding on the administrative suspension of a licensee's activities for failure to meet licence requirements and terms, the licensing body within 24 hours as of the date of entry of this decision into legal force shall suspend the licence for the time period of the administrative suspension of the licensee's activities.

A licensee shall be obliged to notify in writing the licensing authority on elimination of violations by it of licence requirements and terms that have entailed the administrative suspension of the licensee's activities.

The operation of the licence shall be resumed by the licensing body as of the date following the date of expiry of the time period for the administrative suspension of the licensee's activity or as of the date following the date of the early termination of execution of the administrative penalty in the form of the administrative suspension of the licensee's activity.

The duration of the licence shall not be extended by the time of its suspension.

2. If within the time period established by a judge a licensee has failed to eliminate the violation of licence requirements and terms entailing the administrative suspension of the licensee's activity, the licensing authority shall be obliged to file an application with a court for cancellation of the licence.

A licence shall be cancelled by a court decision on the basis of consideration of the application of the licensing authority.

3. The operation of a licence shall be terminated as of the date of making an entry to the Comprehensive State Register of Legal Entities or to the Comprehensive State Register of Individual Businessmen on liquidation of a legal entity or termination of its activity as a result of re-organisation (except for reorganization in the form of transformation or merger, if each legal entity participating in the merger has on the date of the state registration of the legal successor of the reorganized legal entities the licence for the same type of activity), or upon termination by a natural person of his activity as an individual businessman, or as of the finishing date of a licence's duration or of rendering by a licensing authority of a decision on early termination of a licence on the basis of an application of a licensee (of a licence's legal successor) in writing filed with the licensing body on its termination of the licensed type of activity, as well as from the date of entry into legal force of a court decision on cancelling a licence.

Article 14. Keeping a Register of Licenses

1. The licensing authorities shall keep registers of licences for types of the activities which they licence.

The following must be indicated in the register of licences in addition to the data specified in Article 10 of this Federal Law:

- data on registration of a licence in the register of licences;
- ground for, and time of, suspending and resuming a licence;
- ground for, and date of, cancelling a licence;
- ground for, and time of, applying a simplified licensing procedure;
- data on the addresses of the places of exercising the licensed type of activity;
- data on the issue of the document proving the presence of a licence;
- ground for, and date of, termination of a licence;
- other data determined by regulations on licensing specific types of activities.

A licensing body shall make entries to the register of licences within three days as of the date of rendering by it a decision of suspending a licence, re-making the document proving the presence of a licence, suspending a licence in the event of the administrative suspension of a licensee's activities for failure to meet licence requirements and terms, resumption or termination of a licence or as of the date of receiving from the federal executive body authorized to effect the state registration of legal entities and individual businessmen data on liquidation of a legal entity or termination of its activity as a result of reorganization (except for reorganization in the form of transformation or merger, if each legal entity participating in the merger has on the date of the state registration of the legal successor of the reorganized legal entities the licence for the same type of activity), upon termination by a natural person of his activities as an individual businessman, as well as from the date of entry into legal force of a court's decision on cancellation of a licence.

The federal executive bodies engaged in working out provisions on licensing specific types of activities that are licensed by executive bodies of the subjects of the Russian Federation shall keep summarized registers of licences in the procedure established by regulations on licensing specific types of activity.

The licensing bodies shall be obliged to provide licence applicants and licensees free-of-charge with an opportunity to get familiar in any available way with regulations on licensing specific types of activity, with a list of the technical regulations and other normative legal acts of the Russian Federation establishing obligatory requirements with regard to licensed types of activity, with forms of applications and with the documents that shall be submitted for the obtaining, re-issue of licences, with the procedure for licensing, including the exercise of licence control, as well as with the rights and duties of licence applicants, licensees and licensing authorities.

2. The information contained in a register of licenses shall be deemed open for disclosure to natural persons and legal entities.

The information contained in a register of licenses shall be provided to natural persons and legal entities for a fee in the form of extracts on specific licensees. The amount of 10 roubles shall be charged for the provision of the said information.

The amount paid for the provision of information from of a register of licenses shall be entered in a relevant budget.

Governmental bodies and local government bodies shall obtain information from a register of licenses free of charge.

Information shall be provided from a register of licenses within three days after the receipt of a relevant application.

Article 15. The State Duty for Considering Applications for Granting Licenses and for Granting Licenses

The state duty for consideration by the licensing body of applications for granting licenses and for granting licenses shall be paid in the amount and in the procedure established by the laws of the Russian Federation on taxes and fees.

Article 16. The Funding of Licensing

Licensing shall be funded within the limits of funds allocated from relevant budgets for the purpose of maintaining licensors.

Article 17. A List of the Types of Activity Subject to Licensing

1. Under the present Federal Law the following types of activity shall be subject to licensing:
- 1) development of aviation equipment, in particular, dual-purpose aviation equipment;
 - 2) manufacture of aviation equipment, in particular, dual-purpose aviation equipment;
 - 3) repair of aviation equipment, in particular, dual-purpose aviation equipment;
 - 4) testing of aviation equipment, in particular, dual-purpose aviation equipment;
 - 5) activity of distributing encoding (encryption) facilities;
 - 6) activity of maintaining encoding (encryption) facilities;
 - 7) provision of information encryption services;
 - 8) development and manufacture of encoding (encryption) facilities protected by means of encoding (encryption) facilities of information and telecommunication systems;
 - 9) activity of detecting electronic devices intended for concealed information gathering on premises and in technical facilities (except for the instances when the said activity is pursued to cater for the legal entity's or individual businessman's own needs);
 - 10) development and/or manufacture of classified information protection means;
 - 11) activity of classified information technical protection;
 - 12) development, manufacture, sale and acquisition for the purpose of sale of special technical devices intended for concealed information gathering by individual businessmen and legal entities engaged in business activities;
 - 13) activity of manufacture of counterfeit-proof printed products, in particular, securities forms and also trade in the said products;
 - 14) development of weapons and military equipment;
 - 15) manufacture of weapons and military equipment;
 - 16) repair of weapons and military equipment;
 - 17) disposal of weapons and military equipment;
 - 18) trade in weapons and military equipment;
 - 19) manufacture of arms and basic parts of firearms;
 - 20) manufacture of cartridges for arms and of cartridges components;
 - 21) trade in arms and basic parts of firearms;
 - 22) trade in cartridges for arms;
 - 23) exhibition of arms, basic part of firearms, cartridge for arms;
 - 24) collecting arms, basic parts of firearms, cartridges for arms;
 - 25) development and manufacture of ammunition and components thereof;
 - 26) disposal of ammunition and components thereof;
 - 27) carrying out works and rendering services related to storage, carriage and destruction of chemical weapons;
 - 28) the operation of blast and fire hazardous production facilities;
 - 29) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;
- See the text of Subitem 29 of Item 1 of Article 17*
- 30) operation of chemical-hazardous production facilities;
 - 31) activity of industrial safety expert examination;
 - 32) manufacture of industrial explosives;
 - 33) storage of industrial explosives;
 - 34) application of industrial explosives;
 - 35) activity of distributing industrial explosives;
 - 36) manufacture of fireworks;
 - 37) activity of distributing fireworks belonging to Class IV and Class V under the state standard;
 - 38) activity of fire-fighting;
 - 39) carrying out works related to installation, repair and maintenance of fire safety facilities for buildings and structures;
 - 40) performance of mine surveying;
 - 41) activity of restoring objects classified as items of cultural heritage (historical and cultural monuments);

- 42) geodetic activity;
- 43) mapping activity;
- 44) performance of works related to exerting an active effect on hydrometeorological processes and phenomena;
- 45) performance of works related to exerting an active effect on geophysical processes and phenomena;
- 46) activities in the field of hydrometeorology and adjacent fields;
- 47) pharmaceutical activity;
- 48) manufacture of medicinal drugs;
- 49) manufacture of medical equipment;
- 50) maintenance of medical equipment (except for the instances when the said activity is pursued to cater for the legal entity's or individual businessmen's own needs);
- 51) activity of providing prosthetic and orthopaedic assistance on the basis of individual orders;
- 52) activity connected with the turnover of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances (cultivation of plants, production, manufacture, processing, storage, carriage, realisation, distribution, acquisition, use, destruction) entered in List I in accordance with Federal Law No. 3-FZ of January 8, 1998 on Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances;
- 53) activity relating to the circulation of narcotics and psychotropic substances (development, production, manufacture, processing, storage, carriage, release, sale, distribution, acquisition, use, destruction) given in List II in keeping with the Federal Law No. 3-FZ of January 8, 1998 on Narcotics and Psychotropic Substances;
- 54) activity relating to the circulation of the psychotropic substances (development, production, manufacture, processing, storage, carriage, release, sale, distribution, acquisition, use, destruction) given in List III in compliance Federal Law No. 3-FZ of January 8, 1998 on Narcotics and Psychotropic Substances;
- 55) activity relating to the use of germs causing contagious diseases;
- 56) sea passenger traffic;
- 57) sea cargo traffic;
- 58) inland waterway passenger traffic;
- 59) inland waterway cargo traffic;
- 60) air passenger traffic, (except for the carriage by air by state aircraft, experimental aircraft and civil aircraft, including aircraft for general use, without the collection of a charge);
- 61) air cargo traffic, (except for carriage by air by state aircraft, experimental aircraft, civil aircraft; including general aircraft, without the collection of a charge);
- 62) motor road passenger traffic by means of vehicles with the capacity of over eight persons (except for the instances when the said activity is pursued to cater for a legal entity's or individual businessman's own needs);
- 63) railway passenger and luggage traffic;
- 64) cargo railway traffic;
- 65) freight luggage railway traffic;
- 66) cargo traffic (cargo movement without making a contract of carriage) using general purpose railways, except for the removal of received cargo from show railways and its return to show railways;
- 67) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;
- 68) inland waterway transportation loading/unloading as applied to hazardous cargo carried by inland water transport;
- 69) loading/unloading as applied to hazardous cargo in sea ports;
- 70) loading/unloading as applied to hazardous cargo carried by rail;
- 71) activity of sea towing (except for the instances when the said activity is pursued to cater for a legal entity's or individual businessman's own needs);
- 72) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;
- 73) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;
- 74) activity of collecting, using, neutralizing, transporting and placing hazardous wastage;
- 75) activity of manufacture and sale of specialised gambling facilities intended for gambling business;
- 76) activity of organization and carrying out of games of chance and (or) bets, including with the use of gambling tables and other gambling facilities at the premises of casinos (activity of casinos);
- 77) activity of organization and carrying out of games of chance and (or) bets, including with the use of gambling facilities (except for gambling tables);
- 78) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;

- 79) non-state (private) security guard activity;
 - 80) non-state (private) detective activity;
 - 81) procurement, processing and sale of scrap non-ferrous metals;
 - 82) procurement, processing and sale of scrap ferrous metals;
 - 83) activity relating to arranging jobs for citizens of the Russian Federation beyond the borders of the Russian Federation;
 - 84) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;
 - 85) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;
 - 86) playback (making copies) of audio and video works and soundtracks on all and any kind of media;
 - 87) abrogated from July 1, 2007;
 - 87.1) the auditing activity;
 - 88) abrogated;
 - 89) abrogated;
 - 90) abrogated;
 - 91) abrogated;
 - 92) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;
 - 93) activity of manufacture and repair of metering facilities;
 - 94) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;
 - 95) outer space activity;
 - 96) medical activity;
 - 97) abrogated;
 - 98) activity of ensuring air safety;
 - 99) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;
 - 100) abrogated upon the expiry of 90 days after the date of the official publication of Federal Law No. 258-FZ of November 8, 2007;
 - 101) Abrogated from July 1, 2007.
 - 101.1) designing of buildings and installations, except for installations of seasonal or auxiliary purpose;
 - 101.2) construction of buildings and installations, except for installations of seasonal or auxiliary purpose;
 - 101.3) engineering investigations for the construction of buildings and installations, except for installations of seasonal or auxiliary purpose;
 - 102) Abrogated from July 1, 2007.
 - 103) Abrogated from July 1, 2007.
 - 104) activities associated with organization of and carrying on gambling at book-maker's offices and totalizators;
- 2.** Regulations on licensing specific types of activity shall establish a list of works and services related to the following types of activity:
- 1) activity of the organization and carrying out of games of chance and (or) bets, including with the use of gambling tables and other gambling facilities at the premises of casinos (activity of casinos);
 - 2) activity of the organization and carrying out of games of chance and (or) bets, including with the use of gambling facilities (except for gambling tables);
 - 3) outer space activity;
 - 4) medical activity;
 - 5) designing buildings and structures, except for seasonal and auxiliary structures;
 - 6) construction of buildings and structures, except for seasonal and auxiliary structures;
 - 7) engineering survey for the construction of buildings and structures, except for seasonal and auxiliary structures.
 - 8) the operation of blast and fire hazardous production facilities;
- 3.** Licensing may be instituted in respect of other types of activity only by means of amending the lists of activities subject to licensing set out in the present Federal Law.

Article 17.1. Liability of Officials of Licensing Bodies When Licensing Specific Types of Activity

1. Officials of licensing bodies, in the event of improper discharge of their duties when licensing specific types of activities and in the event of committing unlawful actions (omission to act), shall be liable under the laws of the Russian Federation.

2. Licensing bodies shall be obliged within thirty days to inform the legal entity or individual businessman whose rights and legitimate interests are violated on the measures taken in respect of the officials of licensing bodies guilty of violating the laws of the Russian Federation.

Article 18. Transitional Provisions

1. The federal laws and other regulatory legal acts governing the procedure for licensing specific types of activity, save the types of activity specified in Item 2 Article 1 of the present Federal Law, shall be effective in as much as they do not conflict with the present Federal Law and they shall be brought into line with the present Federal Law.

2. The licensing of types of activity not listed in Item 1 Article 17 of the present Federal Law shall be terminated as of date of entry into force of the present Federal Law.

3. Abolished.

4. Abolished.

5. As of January 1, 2006, licensing of the following types of activity specified in Item 1 of Article 17 of this Federal Law shall be terminated:

provision of surveyor services to sea vessels in sea ports;

activity of maintenance and repair of the technical facilities used in railways;

activity of maintenance and repair of the technical facilities used in railways;

activity of pedigree animal breeding (except for the instances when the said activity is pursued to cater for a legal entity's or individual businessman's own needs);

activity of the production and use of pedigree products (material) (except for instances when the said activity is pursued to cater for a legal entity or individual businessman's own needs);

activity of producing elite seeds (seeds of elite);

activity of acceptance and transportation of aquatic biological resources, in particular, fish and other aquatic animals and plants, pursued at sea.

5.1. From July 1, 2006 there shall be terminated the licensing of the following types of activity indicated in Item 1 of Article 17 of this Federal Law:

assessment activity.

5.2. The licensing activity of the present Federal Law, indicated in Item 1 of Article 17, shall be terminated since July 1, 2008:

the auditing activity.

6. The licensing of the following types of activity, indicated in Item 1 of Article 17 of the present Law shall be ceased since January 1, 2007:

the tourist operator's activity;

the tourist agency activity.

6.1. From July 1, 2008 there shall be terminated the licensing of the following types of activity mentioned in Item 1 of Article 17 of this Federal Law:

designing of buildings and installations, except for installations of seasonal or auxiliary purpose;

construction of buildings and installations, except for installations of seasonal or auxiliary purpose;

engineering investigations for the construction of buildings and installations, except for installations of seasonal or auxiliary purpose.

7. As of the date of entry into force of the technical regulations establishing the obligatory requirements for licensed types of activity, licensing of the following types of activity specified in Item 1 of Article 17 of this Federal Law shall be terminated:

development of aviation equipment, in particular, dual-purpose aviation equipment;

manufacture of aviation equipment, in particular, dual-purpose aviation equipment;

repair of aviation equipment, in particular, dual-purpose aviation equipment;

testing of aviation equipment, in particular, dual-purpose aviation equipment;

the operation of blast and fire hazard production facilities;

operation of chemical-hazardous production facilities;

activity of industrial safety expert examination;

carrying out works related to the installation, repair and maintenance of fire safety facilities for buildings and structures;

performance of mine surveying;

geodetic activity;

mapping activity;

manufacture of medical equipment;

maintenance of medical equipment (except for the instances when the said activity is pursued to cater for the legal entity's or individual businessmen's own needs);

activity of manufacture and repair of metering facilities.

8. In the event of reorganization in the form of joining, division or detachment of the subjects of natural monopolies engaged in the licensed types of activity, the Government of the Russian Federation shall be entitled to render a decision providing that:

legal successors of the reorganized legal entities shall be entitled to exercise the types of activity subject to licensing in compliance with this Federal Law on the basis of the licences previously issued to reorganized legal entities but within six months at the most as of the date of the state registration of newly established legal entities;

legal successors of reorganized legal entities shall exercise the types of activity subject to licensing under this Federal Law observing licence requirements and terms.

Licensing authorities shall exercise control over the observance by legal successors of reorganized legal entities of the licence requirements and terms established by regulations on licensing specific types of activity.

The validity of the licences which have been previously issued to reorganized legal entities and on the basis of which legal successors of reorganized legal entities exercise a licensed type of activity may be suspended or such licences may be cancelled for the reasons and in the procedure that are established by Article 13 of this Federal Law.

Article 19. Recognising as Invalid Specific Legislative Acts in Connection with the Enactment of the Present Federal Law

The following shall be recognised as invalid as of the date when the present Federal Law enters into force:

Federal Law No. 158-FZ of September 25, 1998 on the Licensing of Specific Types of Activity (Sobranie Zakonodatelstva Rossiyskoy Federatsii, item 4857, No. 39, 1998);

Federal Law No. 178-FZ of November 26, 1998 on Amending the Federal Law on Licensing Specific Types of Activity (Sobranie Zakonodatelstva Rossiyskoy Federatsii, item 5853, No. 48, 1998);

Federal Law No. 215-FZ of December 22, 1999 on Amending Article 17 of the Federal Law on Licensing Specific Types of Activity (Sobranie Zakonodatelstva Rossiyskoy Federatsii, item 6365, No. 52, 1999);

Federal Law No. 216-FZ of December 22, 1999 on Amending Article 17 of the Federal Law on Licensing Specific Types of Activity (Sobranie Zakonodatelstva Rossiyskoy Federatsii, item 6366, No. 52, 1999);

Federal Law No. 69-FZ of May 12, 2000 on Amending Article 17 of the Federal Law on Licensing Specific Types of Activity (Sobranie Zakonodatelstva Rossiyskoy Federatsii, item 2104, No. 20, 2000);

Article 2 of Federal Law No. 169-FZ of December 29, 2000 on Amending the Federal Law on Production and Consumption Waste and the Federal Law on Licensing Specific Types of Activity (Sobranie Zakonodatelstva Rossiyskoy Federatsii, item 21, No. 1, 2001).

Article 20. Entry into Force of the Present Federal Law

The present Federal Law shall come into force upon the expiry of six months after the date of its official publication.

The President of the Russian Federation and the Government of the Russian Federation shall bring their regulatory legal acts into line with the present Federal Law.

President
of the Russian Federation

V. Putin