

General Licence – Publication Notice

General Licence - INT-2022-1845976

OFSI has the power to issue General Licences for country sanctions regimes under the Sanctions and Anti-Money Laundering Act 2018 ("the Sanctions Act").

On 16 August 2022, OFSI issued General Licence INT-2022-1845976 under Regulation 64 of the Russia (Sanctions) (EU Exit) Regulations 2019 ("the Russia Regulations") which allow Crown Servants, Contractors, & their Family Members to carry out activities in their personal capacity which would otherwise be prohibited. Any persons intending to use General Licence INT-2022-1845976 should consult the copy of the Licence on this page for full details of the permissions and usage requirements.

For the purposes of General Licence INT-2022-1845976, a Crown Servant means an individual holding office or employment under the Crown.

A Contractor means an individual who is not a Crown Servant, but who has been contracted by the Crown to provide goods or services within or in relation to the Crown's operations in Russia

A Family Member means a member of the family forming part of the household of a Crown Servant or Contractor, namely:

- (a) A spouse;
- (b) A civil partner;
- (c) An established partner; and,
- (d) Dependent children up to the age of 18, or up to the age of 21 and in full-time education.

A Visiting Family Member mean:

- (a) The spouse of a Crown servant, or Contractor;
- (b) The civil partner of a Crown servant, or Contractor;
- (c) The established partner of a Crown servant or contractor;
- (d) Any parent or other ascendant of:
 - (i) a Crown servant or Contractor; or,
 - (ii) the spouse, civil partner or established partner of a Crown servant or Contractor;
- (e) Any child or other descendant of:
 - (i) a Crown servant or Contractor; or,
 - (ii) the spouse, civil partner or established partner of a Crown servant or contractor;
- (f) Any individual who is a brother or sister of:
 - (i) a Crown servant or Contractor; or,
 - (ii) the spouse, civil partner or established partner of a Crown servant or contractor;
 - (iii) the child or other descendant of that individual (i.e. nephews and nieces etc).

A Relevant Institution is an individual, a body of persons corporate or unincorporate, any organisation or any association or combination of persons; and a Relevant Institution is:

- A person that has permission under Part 4A of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000(3) (permission to carry on regulated activity).
- A person that is authorised or registered under Part 2 of the Payment Services Regulations (SI 2017/752).
- A person that is authorised or registered under Part 2 of the Electronic Money Regulations (SI 2011/99).
- A person that is a "recognised clearing house", "third country central counterparty", "recognised CSD" or "third country CSD" for the purposes of s.285 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000.
- A person that is an operator of a recognised payment system (or that is a service provider in relation to recognised payment systems) for the purposes of Part 5 of the Banking Act 2009.

Under General Licence INT/2022/1845976, and where Crown immunity does not apply to activities by reason of non-application of the Russia Regulations to the Crown, a Crown Servant, Contractor, Family Member or Visiting Family Member may carry out activities in their personal capacity in Russia which would otherwise be prohibited by regulations 11-15 and 17A of the Russia Regulations. In the case of a Visiting Family Member, the permission in paragraph 4.1 extends only to those activities which arise as a result of their being in Russia to visit the household of a Crown Servant or Contractor

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The permissions in General Licence INT-2022-1845976 do not authorise any act which the person carrying out the act knows, or has reasonable grounds for suspecting, will result in funds or economic resources being made available in breach of The Russia Regulations, save as permitted under licences granted under the Russia Regulations.

General Licence INT-2022-1845976 takes effect from 11:59 on 19th August 2022

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