



# Annual Regulations for IMO 2021

**2 February 2021**

All dates (times and dates) are indicated at 23:59 Moscow time (MSK, UTC+3). All sums of money mentioned are denominated in euros, in cleared funds.

In the time of the pandemic, we are aware that predicting what will (or will not) be possible at a future date is a difficult matter. Note that it may be necessary to change or amend these Annual Regulations before IMO 2021.

The numbered Annual Regulations below (Part A) carry the provisions for countries which are attending St Petersburg. We hope that as many Countries as possible will come to Russia so that IMO 2021 will be as normal as possible. However, it is anticipated that some Countries and Territories will not be able to send teams to St Petersburg because of the pandemic. We anticipate that IMO 2021 will probably be a hybrid IMO, with some countries travelling to Russia, and others participating remotely at Exam Centres in their own countries (as in 2020). However, no final decision has been made.

The organizers will make a final decisions and announcements about the form of IMO 2021 in April 2021, and appropriate final rules and procedures will be approved by the IMOB and announced on or before **April 23, 2021**. Countries must make a final declaration whether or not they will send a team to St Petersburg on or before April 30, 2021.

If a substantial number of countries are attending St Petersburg, then it will be possible to have the Jury select the Exam Papers in the normal way. However, if there are very few countries attending St Petersburg, then it will be necessary to have the Problem Selection Committee set the papers. If the PSC is setting the papers, the final selection of Problems will be made with the assistance of the IMO Ethics Committee.

Countries which participate in IMO 2021 but do not attend St Petersburg will incur no fees. The organizers of IMO 2021 and the IMO Board are not responsible for any expenses incurred in running Exam Centres outside Russia.

IMO democracy: in 2020, elections business was suspended for one year. We propose to restart the process whereby the IMO Jury elects officers and members of the IMO Board and the IMO Ethics Committee. Since it is likely that some Countries and Territories will not be able to attend St Petersburg, we propose to conduct elections remotely. Candidates will make video presentations (where appropriate) and leaders will vote in a secure fashion. The IMO Board Secretary will conduct elections business in a manner which approximates the usual procedure (except that in the case of the election of the IMO Board Secretary, the election will be conducted by the IMO Board President).

## PART A

1. An official delegation of the participating country of the 62nd International Mathematical Olympiad (IMO 2021) consists of no more than six Contestants, the Leader and Deputy Leader, jointly called Participants, as well as accompanying Observers.

2. Annual Regulations for IMO 2021 have been approved by the IMO Board according to paragraph 1.7 of the General Regulations.

3. The Host city of the IMO 2021 is St. Petersburg, Russia.

The information about the main site will be published on the official website of the IMO 2021 <https://imo2021.ru> before June 14, 2021.

4. The Host Organization of IMO 2021 is the Herzen State Pedagogical University of Russia (Herzen University).

5. The Official Programme for Leaders and Observers A begins on (arrival day) **July 14**, 2021 and ends on (departure day) **July 24**, 2021. The shortlisted problems will not be released to Jury members before **July 14**, 2021. On July 20, 2021 Leaders and Observers A will move to the main site.

6. The official arrival day for members of the IMOB is **July 13**, 2021. Leaders and Observers A may apply to arrive on **July 13**, 2021 on payment for the extra day of €300 for each person. The deadline for receipt of such an application is **May 31**, 2021. Since extra accommodation is limited, no guarantee is given that such applications will be successful. For those applications that are notified as being successful, full payment must be made in cleared funds by **June 30**, 2021.

If there are quarantine regulations imposed on travel to IMO 2021, it may be that it will be necessary to arrive earlier than specified above. Also please remember that there may be quarantine measures imposed on IMO participants when they return to their own countries.

Applications received without the full payment of the charges will be rejected. No refunds will be given.

Note that if very few Countries are attending St Petersburg (because the pandemic), then it is possible that the Jury phase of IMO 2021 will be attenuated (i.e. reduced in length). If this happens, the arrival days for the IMO Board and IMO leaders may be later than announced above. This matter will be resolved after Countries and Territories make final decisions about whether to attend St Petersburg in person or to participate remotely in IMO 2021. This final decision must be made by **April 20<sup>th</sup> 2021**.

7. The Official Programme for Deputy Leaders, Contestants and Observers B and C begins on (arrival day) **July 17**, 2021 and ends on (departure day) **July 24**, 2021.

8. The Contest days for IMO 2021 will be **July 19** and **July 20**. All Contestants must have been born **on or after July 2, 2001**.

9. Electronic equipment of any kind (including timekeeping equipment) may not be brought into IMO exams. This regulation does not apply to internal equipment such a heart pacemaker or a cochlea implant. Externally worn hearing aids or any other electronic equipment worn for medical reasons must be submitted for approval to the IMO Ethics Committee the day before the first IMO exam.

10. Participation of countries and territories must be confirmed online on the website <https://www.imo-official.org> no later than **February 20**, 2021.

11. Registration of Leaders, Deputy Leaders, Observers and the number of Contestants must be completed online on the website <https://www.imo-official.org> no later than **May 31**, 2021.

12. Proposals for problems must be received by **April 20**, 2021. Proposals must be submitted via the portal at the IMO official website.

13. Registration of Contestants must be completed online on the website <https://www.imo-official.org> no later than **May 31**, 2021.

14. Registration of travel details of Participants and Observers must be completed online on the website <https://www.imo-official.org> no later than **June 30**, 2021.

The Organizing Committee guarantees to meet Participants and Observers who have provided reliable information about their travel details no later than **June 30**, 2021, and also asks for information about non-standard arrival and information about non-official places of arrival to be sent to [info@imo2021.ru](mailto:info@imo2021.ru)

15. The official places of arrival and departure of IMO 2021 are the following locations in St. Petersburg: Pulkovo Airport, Moskovsky railway station, Finlyandsky railway station, Ladozhsky railway station (these railway stations are all in St. Petersburg).

16. Accommodation is in shared double rooms. Leaders and Deputy Leaders may apply for a single room. The deadline for receipt of such an application is **June 30**, 2021. Since extra accommodation is limited, no guarantee is given that such applications will be successful. For those applications that are notified as being successful, full payment of the following charges must be made in cleared funds by June 30, 2021:

- A single room for a Leader: € 500 (according to room availability).
- A single room for a Deputy Leader: € 400 (according to room availability).

Applications received without the full payment of the charges will be rejected. No refunds will be given.

17. Applications for Observers to accompany the participants must be made by **May 31**, 2021. Accommodation is in shared double rooms. Observers may apply for a single room. The deadline for receipt of such an application is **May 31**, 2021. Since extra accommodation is limited, no guarantee is given that such applications will be successful. For those applications that are notified as being successful, full payment of the following charges must be made in cleared funds by **June 30**, 2020:

- Observer A (accompanying the Leader): € 2,800 for a shared double room; € 3,400 for a single room.
- Observer B (accompanying the Deputy Leader), Observer C (accompanying the Contestants): € 2,000 for a shared double room; € 2,500 for a single room.

Applications received without the full payment of the charges will be rejected. No refunds will be given.

**18. Important matter:** each Leader must ensure that every participant from their country has appropriate travel and health insurance for the period of their stay in the Russian Federation. **Each leader must ensure that all members of their delegation have whatever vaccinations and/or negative Covid tests (and associated documents) that are specified by the regulations of the Russian Federation at the time of IMO 2021.**

19. Leaders must ensure that all child protection measures which are legally enforced in their country of origin, including those necessary for entry and stay in the Russian Federation, are correctly observed.

20. Leader, Deputy Leader or Observer, acting in accordance with the General Regulations as a parent or otherwise *in loco parentis* (i.e. they have the legal role of parents of the children aged under 18 in their team during IMO 2021), subject to written notification from the Leader, during the period of IMO 2021, they have all the rights granted to parents or others in loco parentis, including the right to give permission for necessary medical treatments, medical intervention, the right to represent the interests of a child aged under 18 in all administrative, law enforcement, judicial bodies of the Russia, and in Consular offices of foreign States on the territory of the Russia with all the rights provided for by the legislation of the Russia

for the applicant, plaintiff, defendant, third party, suspect, accused, defendant, person in respect of whom the case of an administrative offense is being conducted, defender, victim, or his representative, including the right to submit and receive any documents in administrative and other bodies, the right to sign for a child aged under 18 and the right to perform all other actions necessary to represent the interests of the child for the period of its stay in the territory of Russia without providing a document confirming the consent of parents or other in loco parentis person. A Leader guarantees the availability of official documents from parents or other in loco parentis persons, according to the legislation of the Contestant country for the purposes indicated above.

21. Online registration at <https://www.imo-official.org> implies the consent of the Participants and Observers in the processing and storage for 1 year at a Host Organization of their personal data, including surname, name, gender, nationality, date of birth, place of birth, passport data, address of residence, place of study, work, phone, photos, in the manner established by the Federal law of the Russian Federation of 27.07.2006 №152-ФЗ "On personal data". Consent to the processing of personal data can be revoked by sending a request from the Leader.

22. Online registration at <https://www.imo-official.org> implies the consent of Participants and Observers to take photos and videos during the Contests, as well as other events of IMO 2021, with the right of the Host Organization to publish images including images of Participants and Observers, according to article 152.1 of the Civil Code of the Russian Federation in the Internet, mass media, reports and other official documents of the Organizing Committee IMO 2021. It also implies that all participants consent to webcam footage of Exams being used to monitor proper conduct at Exam sites (and the footage will be destroyed after IMO 2021 except for any evidence of possible irregular conduct, and such footage will be passed to the IMO Ethics Committee).

**PART B** (additional regulations applicable to Countries and Territories not attending St Petersburg in person)

23. All expenses incurred in participating remotely are the responsibility of the participating Country or Territory. This includes any travel, subsistence and accommodation expenses for IMO Commissioners.

24. Leaders must arrange for a secure and safe Exam Centre where students can sit the Exam Papers on designated days. The Exam Centre must be equipped with at least two webcams, a scanner and a printer. The exam room should be large enough so that students can sit at separate desks and not be able to see the work of other students. There should be suitable toilet and washing facilities nearby. There can be multiple Exam Centres in a Country, and each will require its own IMO Commissioner. In the event that the Team Leader is not at an Exam Centre, he or she should deputize an IMO Observer A (or Deputy Leader) to act for them at that Exam Centre. There will be detailed instructions concerning Exam Centre equipment and scanning procedures (issued by the IMO IT authorities).

25. Leaders must assist the IMO Board in recruiting neutral IMO Commissioners who will oversee the conduct of Examinations.

26. Leaders must recruit an IT specialist for each Exam Centre. The IT specialist will liaise with the St Petersburg IT authorities and ensure that all communications and IT equipment is functioning properly.

27. Exams will take place at an agreed time during a time window chosen so that no student will start an IMO 2021 Exam Paper after another student has finished (anywhere in the world). This means that students in New Zealand will sit the papers late in their evening, whereas students in the Americas will sit early in their mornings.

28. There will be designated procedures for early access to the Exam Papers in the event that a translation must be performed locally. This process will be observed by an IMO Commissioner.
29. Students' work will be uploaded to IMO Software at the end of each Exam. In the event of technical delays, the IMO Commissioner will retain control of the students work and will keep it secure. The scripts may be given to the Leader for marking only after the work has been uploaded to the IMO software.
30. The IMO Official Languages committee will scrutinize remote translations and may suggest changes.
31. Coordination will be performed using IMO Software.