

Article 31.

Foreigners residing in the Republic may, under terms and conditions stipulated in the Act on Movement and Residence of Foreigners, establish associations.

Association of foreigners shall be registered by the Republic organ in charge of justice and administrative affairs.

Article 32.

Against the decision of the Republic organ in charge of justice and administration, by which a registration of an association of foreigners is rejected, or by which activities of an association of foreigners are prohibited, an appeal can be lodged with the Executive Council.

Administrative litigation can not be initiated against the decision rejecting the appeal mentioned in para. 1 of this Article.

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REPUBLIC OF SERBIA
(unofficial translation of relevant parts)

**THE ACT ON SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS
AND ASSOCIATIONS OF CITIZENS**

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I. GENERAL PROVISIONS

Article 1.

In realization of their constitutionally guaranteed right to freedom of association, working people and citizens freely and voluntarily associate and form social organizations and associations of citizens in accordance with law.

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Article 4.

Working people and citizens associate in social organizations and associations of citizens for the purpose of developing personal inclinations and creativity in social, humanitarian, economic, technical, scientific, cultural, educational, sports and other activities which are carried out in organizations of associated labour, local communities and socio-political communities.

Article 5.

VI. ASSOCIATIONS OF FOREIGNERS

Article 69.

Foreigners residing in the Socialist Republic of Serbia establish associations under terms and conditions set out in Federal regulations.

Permission for the establishment of associations of foreigner which will operate in the whole territory of the Socialist Republic of Serbia, or in the territory of the Socialist Republic of Serbia outside the territories of the socialist autonomous provinces, or in the territory of the Socialist Republic of Serbia outside the territories of the socialist autonomous provinces and in the territory of one of the socialist autonomous provinces, is granted by the Republic Secretariat for Internal Affairs.

Article 70.

An appeal against the decision rejecting the application for the establishment of associations of foreigners, i.e. the decision prohibiting the work of associations of foreigners, can be lodged with the Executive Council of the Assembly of the Socialist Republic of Serbia.

Administrative litigation cannot be initiated against the decision rejecting the appeal mentioned in para. 1 of this Article.

Article 71.

Association of foreigners shall be registered in the registry of associations of foreigners.

The registry of associations of foreigners is kept by the administrative organ of the Republic, i. e. socialist autonomous province, which issued a permission for the establishment of an association of foreigners.

The administrative organ of the Province in charge of registry shall inform the Republic Secretariat for Internal Affairs about the registration of an association of foreigners.

The Republic Secretary for Internal Affairs is authorized, upon the receipt of the opinion of the Secretary for Internal Affairs of the Province, to stipulate the procedure of and forms for the registry of associations of foreigners.

- name of social organization, i.e. association of citizens;
- main objectives of association;
- head office;
- names of persons who will be responsible for registration of social organization, i.e. association of citizens.

2. Registration of social organizations and associations of citizens

Article 32.

The founder applies for registration of social organization, i.e. association of citizens. The founder shall submit an application for registration within 15 days of the date of the decision on the establishment of social organization, i.e. association of citizens.

Together with an application for registration of social organization, i.e. association of citizens, a decision on the establishment, minutes of the meeting of the founding assembly and two copies of a statute shall be submitted.

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Article 34.

The organ in charge of registry shall decide on registration within 30 days of the date of application.

If the organ mentioned in para. 1 of this Article determines that the statute of social organization, i.e. association of citizens is not in accord with law, it shall bring this fact to the attention of the applicant and determine the period of time for bringing the statute into accord with law. That period cannot be less than 15 days, nor more than three months. If the organ mentioned in para. 1 of this Article determines that a social organization, i.e. association of citizens has not been established in accordance with law, and if no action has been taken as requested in the period mentioned in para. 2 of this Article, it shall reject, by a decision, the application for registration.

Article 35.

Social organization and association of citizens can begin its operation on the day of registration.

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III. FUNDS OF SOCIAL ORGANIZATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS OF CITIZENS

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Article 53.

organization, i.e. association; decision-making; internal information; supervision of work of the organs of organization, i.e. association; program of activities; funds and utilization and disposition of funds; civil defence; termination; association in unions of organization and associations; publicity; and other provisions relevant to activities and relations among members.

Members decide on a statute of social organization, i.e. association by personal vote.

Article 23.

Social organizations and associations of citizens and their unions shall be registered.

Sections of social organizations and associations of citizens, which in accordance with statute have a status of legal person, shall also be registered.

Information in the registry are public.

Registry of social organizations and associations of citizens, as well as of their unions, is kept by the administrative organ in charge of internal affairs of a municipality in which a head office of an organization, association or union is located.

Article 24.

Social organizations and associations of citizens and their unions may associate with similar international organizations and associations, if that is envisaged in their statutes and if it is not contrary to the interests of the country.

Social organization and association of citizens shall report for registration its membership in international organization and association to the organ in charge of registration immediately, and in any event within 15 days.

Article 25.

Supervision over the legality of work of social organizations and association of citizens is carried out by the administrative organ in charge of registration of social organizations and associations of citizens.

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II. ESTABLISHMENT OF SOCIAL ORGANIZATION AND ASSOCIATION OF CITIZENS

1. Common Provisions

Article 27.

Social organization, i.e. association of citizens can be established by minimum 10 working people and citizens.

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