

Pursuant to Article 54, paragraph 1 of the Law on Asylum and Temporary Protection (“Official Gazette of RS”, No. 24/18),

The Minister of Health hereby adopts

RULEBOOK

on Medical Examinations of Asylum Seekers upon Admission to Asylum Centre or Other Facility for Accommodation of Asylum Seekers

“Official Gazette of RS”, Number 57 of 25 July 2018

Article 1

This Rulebook shall govern in greater detail the performance of medical examinations of asylum seekers upon admission to the Asylum Centre or other facility for the accommodation of asylum seekers.

An asylum seeker shall mean a foreigner who has submitted his/her application for asylum in the territory of the Republic of Serbia, which is pending, i.e. the legally effective decision has not yet been made by the authorized body.

Article 2

Medical examinations of asylum seekers shall be carried out by a doctor of medicine in a Primary Health Care Centre.

The director of the Primary Health Care Centre shall determine the medical doctors to perform the examinations referred to in paragraph 1 above.

The medical doctor referred to in paragraph 1 above shall refer the asylum seeker to another healthcare facility for the examinations and analyses that cannot be performed at the Primary Health Care Centre.

Article 3

The medical examination of the asylum seeker shall include:

- 1) past medical history/anamnesis (infectious and non-infectious diseases, vaccination status);
- 2) physical examination;
- 3) other diagnostic examinations.

Article 4

The diagnostic screening for infectious diseases shall include:

- 1) laboratory blood test (ESR, WBC, DBC);

2) chest radiograph;

3) laboratory stool analysis for causative agents: abdominal typhus and paratyphoid, salmonellosis of animal origin, shigellosis, and intestinal protozoa.

All asylum seekers coming from the countries affected by cholera, malaria and/or other diseases that pose a threat to international public health or where there is an epidemic or a risk of becoming infected with infectious diseases that can be brought into the country shall be subject to a health surveillance over the maximum incubation period for the suspected disease.

Should any epidemiological indication be found during the medical examination, the medical examination shall include also the laboratory analyses for other infectious diseases.

Article 5

The medical doctor shall inform the asylum seeker about the need and possibilities for protection from and treatment of infectious diseases in the Republic of Serbia, as well as about the importance and the manner of implementation of the compulsory vaccinations programmes.

Article 6

The diagnosis of an infectious disease shall be established in accordance with the rules of the profession, professional criteria, and in accordance with the law regulating the field of infectious diseases and the regulations adopted in accordance with that law.

Article 7

The employees at the Asylum Centre or other facility for the accommodation of asylum seekers shall monitor the health condition of the asylum seekers and shall report any prospective occurrence of high temperature, diarrhoea, rash, etc. to the medical doctor at the Primary Health Care Centre in whose territory the Asylum Centre or other facility for the accommodation of asylum seekers is located.

Article 8

The health institution shall issue a certificate of the medical examination and health condition of the asylum seeker upon admission to the Asylum Centre or other facility for the accommodation of asylum seekers.

The certificate referred to in paragraph 1 above shall be issued in Form No. 1, which is provided in the attachment to this Rulebook and is an integral part thereof.

Article 9

As of the date of effectiveness of this Rulebook, the Rulebook on Medical Examinations of Asylum Seekers upon Admission to Asylum Centres ("Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia", No. 93/08) shall cease to apply.

Article 10

This Rulebook shall enter into force on the eighth day after its publication in the “Official Gazette of the Republic of Serbia”.

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Belgrade, 20 July 2018

Minister,

acc. Zlatibor Loncar, Signed by His Own Hand

Attachments

Medical Examination Certificate Form

Name of health institution
Registration number

**CERTIFICATE OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION AND HEALTH CONDITION OF ASYLUM SEEKER
UPON ADMISSION TO ASYLUM CENTRE OR OTHER FACILITY FOR ACCOMMODATION OF
ASYLUM SEEKERS**

Asylum seeker _____ sex _____

Date of birth _____ Place of birth _____

Country of origin _____

Country from which he/she arrived to Serbia _____

MEDICAL EXAMINATION FINDINGS:

1. Negative/positive for active tuberculosis, X-ray findings _____

Readings _____

2. Negative/positive for abdominal typhus

3. Negative/positive for paratyphoid

4. Negative/positive for other salmonellosis infections

5. Negative/positive for shigellosis infections

6. Negative/positive for malaria

7. Negative/positive for cholera

8. Negative/positive carrier state for: _____

9. Other laboratory analyses:

ESR _____ WBC _____ DBC _____

The above examinations indicate the presence of an infectious disease: YES NO

1. ANAMNESIS

- past medical history information

- past illnesses and injuries

- vaccination status

VACCINATION STATUS:

Vaccine	No data/ uncertain data	Not vaccinated	Vaccinated	Incomplete vaccination	Date of last dose
DiTePer					
Polio					
MMR					
Haemophilus influenzae type B					
Hepatitis B					
BCG scar					

II. PHYSICAL EXAMINATION

Objective findings:

- Head and neck _____

- Vision (visus and fundus if necessary) _____

- Hearing (whisper and loud speech, audiogram if necessary) _____

- Other senses _____

- Skin _____

- Lungs _____

- Heart (cardiovascular apparatus) _____

- Abdomen _____

- Urogenital organs _____

- Endocrine system _____

- Extremities and spinal column _____

- Nervous system and mental state _____

III. DIAGNOSTIC EXAMINATIONS

- X-ray findings _____

- Laboratory and other findings _____

- Other findings and opinions _____

IV. CONCLUSION AND OPINION

On the basis of the clinical and laboratory examinations carried out, which are covered by the compulsory medical examination of asylum seekers accommodated in the Asylum Centres or other facilities for the accommodation of asylum seekers, it has been established that

(Name and surname)

- is/is not suffering from infectious diseases _____ *
- is/is not excreting pathogens causing infectious diseases _____ *
- is/is not suffering from other diseases _____ *

Date: _____

Place: _____

Place of Seal

Signature and facsimile signature of MD

*Indicate the code of disease in accordance with ICD-10