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## **Procedures by which Cultural Monuments shall be Included in the List of State-protected Monuments and Excluded from the List of State-protected Monuments**

*Issued pursuant to  
Section 14, Paragraph one and Section 15  
of the Law On the Protection of Cultural Monuments*

### **I. General Provisions**

1. These Regulations prescribe the procedures by which an object of cultural and historical significance (hereinafter ó an object) shall acquire the status of cultural monument and shall be included in the list of State-protected cultural monuments, as well as excluded from the referred to list.
2. The proposal regarding the inclusion of an object in the list of State-protected monuments or exclusion therefrom shall be submitted by a natural or legal person to the State Inspection for Heritage Protection (hereinafter ó the Inspection). The following shall be attached to the submission:
  - 2.1. information regarding the name and location of the object;
  - 2.2. information regarding the owner (possessor), if it is possible to specify this;
  - 2.3. a description;
  - 2.4. photo fixation materials; and
  - 2.5. justification.

### **II. Inclusion of an Object in the List of State-Protected Cultural Monuments**

3. The Inspection shall evaluate the compliance of the object referred to in a proposal with the status of a cultural monument of State or local significance in accordance with the criteria specified by the regulatory enactments regarding cultural monuments, as well as taking into account the historical, scientific, artistic or other cultural value of the relevant object and the spread of the typological group of a cultural monument in Europe and the Baltic Sea area, in the state of Latvia or a county.

4. If an object does not comply with the status of a cultural monument of State or local significance, the Inspection shall provide a substantiated refusal to the submitter of the proposal.

5. If an object complies with the status of a cultural monument of State or local significance, the Inspection shall prepare draft amendments of the list of State-protected cultural monuments, prescribing the inclusion of the relevant object in the list of State-protected cultural monuments. The following shall be attached to the draft:

- 5.1. information regarding the name of the object;
- 5.2. information regarding the location (address, group, soil, letter);
- 5.3. diagram of the location in a topographical plan;
- 5.4. description;
- 5.5. photo fixation materials;
- 5.6. information regarding the owner (possessor) ó given name, surname, personal identity number and address (for natural persons) or name, address and registration number (for legal persons); and
- 5.7. a substantiation for the inclusion of the object in the list of State-protected cultural monuments.

6. If the status of cultural monument shall be determined for an urban construction monument, the Inspection shall attach the information specified in Sub-paragraphs 5.1, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5 and 5.7 of these Regulations to the draft amendments of the list of State-protected cultural monuments.

7. The Inspection shall inform the owner (possessor) of an object in writing regarding the proposal to grant the status of State-protected cultural monument to the relevant object. In order to grant the status of cultural monument to an urban construction monument, the consent of the local government is required, except in cases where a proposal regarding the granting of the status of cultural monument for an urban construction monument is included in the territorial planning.

8. The Inspection shall submit draft amendments of the list of State-protected cultural monuments to the Minister for Culture.

9. The Minister for Culture shall approve the inclusion of an object in the list of State-protected cultural monuments with an order.

10. If an object has acquired the status of State-protected cultural monument, the Inspection shall update the register of State-protected cultural monuments and shall include it in the referred to database.

### **III. Exclusion of a Cultural Monument from the List of State-Protected Cultural Monuments**

11. If a cultural monument has completely lost its cultural monument value, the inspection shall prepare draft amendments of the list of State-protected cultural monuments.

12. The Inspection shall attach a justification for the exclusion of an object from the list of State-protected cultural monuments and the information referred to in Sub-paragraphs 5.1,

5.2, 5.3, 5.4, 5.5 and 5.6 to the draft referred to in Paragraph 11 of these Regulations, but if an urban construction monument shall be excluded from the list of State-protected cultural monuments of the information referred to in Sub-paragraphs 5.2, 5.3, 5.4 and 5.5.

13. The Minister for Culture shall approve the exclusion of an object from the list of State-protected cultural monuments with an order.

14. The Inspection shall make the relevant notes in the register of State-protected cultural monuments after the exclusion of an object from the list of State-protected cultural monuments.

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