

**LAW**  
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Dated from January 1, 2012 according to Rosstat there are 23118 municipalities. Only in 2012 elections in 4930 municipalities took place. One of essential differences of municipal elections from elections in public authorities is the possibility of participation of foreign citizens in electoral process. By the federal law "About the main guarantees of electoral rights and the rights to participate in a referendum of citizens of the Russian Federation" such opportunity is directly regulated. At the same time, today the number of the foreign citizens who are taking part in election campaigns at elections in local governments, is not enough. The purpose of the real research is disclosure of the reasons of current situation through the analysis of standards of federal laws "About the main guarantees of electoral rights and the rights to participation in a referendum of citizens of the Russian Federation", "About a legal status of foreign citizens in the Russian Federation", "About the general principles of the organization of local governments in the Russian Federation" and other laws regulating the right of foreign citizens on participation in political life of the Russian Federation. By results of research ways of permission of legal collisions by means of modification of the federal legislation are offered.

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