

Visiting Rules for the Collection of Pauls Stradiņš Medicine History Museum

1. Objects from the collection of Pauls Stradiņš Medicine History Museum can be viewed in temporary and permanent exhibitions during the museum's opening hours, as well as virtually in the Joint Catalogue of the National Museums' Collections (<https://www.nmkk.lv>). The part of the museum's collection currently not on view can be accessed for research purposes after submitting a request and making an appointment for a visit.
2. During a visit to the collection, researchers can access the collection's alphabetic, systematic and thematic card catalogues and objects free of charge.
3. Structure of Pauls Stradiņš Medicine History Museum collection:
 - 3.1. photo, phono and film materials;
 - 3.2. physical objects;
 - 3.3. artwork;
 - 3.4. rare books and printed materials;
 - 3.5. manuscripts and documents.
4. The museum's collection can be accessed with permission from the director of the museum; it can be obtained by filling the application form for a research visit and submitting it at info@mvm.gov.lv.
5. The application form for a research visit must be filled according to the requirements, specifying the subject and purpose of the research.
6. After receiving the application, the keeper of the relevant collection will contact the researcher no later than in ten days to agree on the date and time of the planned visit.
7. The collection cannot be visited without applying in advance, obtaining the director's permission and making the appointment with the keeper of the collection.
8. The museum may refuse to grant permission to access an object held in the collection if:
 - 1.1. the cataloguing of the object has not been completed;
 - 1.2. the object is in poor condition;
 - 1.3. it is undergoing conservation or restoration;
 - 1.4. it is or is scheduled to go on view as part of an exhibition;
 - 1.5. it is on loan (deposited) outside the museum;
 - 1.6. the purpose of accessing the object is not related to the areas of science, culture or aesthetic and general education;
 - 1.7. specific conditions of using the particular object are stipulated in the acquisition documents.

9. The museum may refuse a researcher the right to visit the collection if the researcher has not complied with the rules for accessing the museum's collection, e.g., has treated with neglect the objects or card catalogues of the collection or damaged them during his or her previous visits.
10. The museum's collection may also be accessed in cases which are not listed above if the necessity is related to scientific, cultural, aesthetically and generally educational purposes or purposes of national representation, the visit has been authorized by the director and the appointment has been agreed on with the keeper of the relevant collection.