

## EVALUATION OF THE COMFORT LEVEL OF GREEN SPACES LOCATED IN URBAN AREAS

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The aim of the study was to improve the methodology of assessing urban areas, taking into account the level of comfort of green spaces. The necessity of this type of assessment is considered. The object of assessment is substantiated. These are public green spaces of St. Petersburg. The analysis of their quantitative and qualitative indicators was done. A methodology of assessing of the comfort level of green spaces is presented. It is built in five stages: the formation of a system of rating factors, the formation of rating scales, determining the weights of rating factors, the calculation of the comfort level of green spaces, and estimated zoning. The substantiation of the first, second and third stages was done by using expert methods, in particular, the Thomas Lewis Saati hierarchy analysis method, as well as the qualimetric method. The calculated indicators of the comfort level of green spaces and estimated zoning were carried out on the example of 339 public green spaces of the St. Petersburg Primorsky district. The interpretation of the results was done. Recommendations were given on improving the existing landscaping system of St. Petersburg. The practical implementation of the developed technique is proposed.

**Key words:** comfort level, assessment of urban areas, public green spaces, system of assessment factors, estimated zoning, urban areas, land of settlements, sustainable development.

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