



# Alexei Smertin



Football player  
Midfield the  
captain of the  
Russian national  
team



**Alexei Smertin was born May 1, 1975 in Barnaul.**

**He is a Russian football player.**



**In July 2009 he announced about stopping his playing career.**

**A former member of the Russian national team in 2004-2005, its captain.**

**Since 2009 he is the Member of the Legislative Assembly of the Altai Krai.**



# He is



The pupil of the Barnaul football school "Dynamo" and the School of the Olympic Reserve in Leninsk-Kuznetsk, Kemerovo region.

This first coach was Gennady Grishko. He played in the Russian First Division clubs "Dynamo" Barnaul, "Dawn" Leninsk-Kuznetsk, "Ural".



In 1999 he moved to Moscow "Locomotive". In 2000 he moved to the French "Bordeaux".

In 2003 played in "Chelsea" but two of the three seasons played in the clubs "Portsmouth" and "Charlton Athletic."

September 29, 2004 Alexey Smertin Porto scored his first goal for Chelsea in the Champions League Chelsea.



In 2006 he moved to Moscow "Dynamo", but after one football season he returned to English "Fulham", where he remained until August 2008.

He played 55 matches for the national team of Russia, in 2004-2005 was its captain. He was the member of the World Cup in 2002 and the European Championship in 2004.



# Achievements



- The winner of the First Division Championship Russia 1997.
- The silver medalist Russia: 1998, 1999.
- The best footballer of Russia (according to surveys of the newspaper "Sport-Express" and the weekly "Football") 1999.
- The winner of the Cup of Russia 2000.
- The winner of the French League Cup 2002.
- The winner of the League Carling Cup winner 2005.
- The champion of England in 2005.



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