

Over 150 Arrested After Football Match

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More than 150 football fans were detained after a match between Moscow and St. Petersburg teams Spartak and Zenit Saturday.

Police spokeswoman Natalya Safonova told Interfax that most of those detained were arrested for public intoxication, attempting to bring alcohol into the stadium, and disorderly conduct.

The arrests come on the heel of an announcement by Sports Minister Vitaly Mutko last month that Russia will relax restrictions on the advertisement and sale of beer at sporting events when it will host the FIFA world cup in 2018.

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