

Sobyanin Orders Rabies Quarantine in New Moscow

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Acting Moscow Mayor Sergei Sobyanin has announced a rabies quarantine in two districts of New Moscow — Molzhaninovsky to the north and the village of Pervomayskoye to the southwest of the capital, Interfax reported Tuesday.

The mayor imposed a two-month ban on the sale of animals, the staging of animal exhibitions in the areas under quarantine, as well as the carriage of animals outside these districts.

The latest rabies quarantine is the fifth in the expanded Moscow since the start of the year.

Rabies prevention measures also include the vaccination of domestic, stray and wild animals.

If bitten by an animal that could have contracted rabies, the <u>World Health Organization</u> advises victims to thoroughly wash their hands with soap and a lot of water, then swab

the wound with iodine before going to the local health clinic for an anti-rabies shot.

On Sunday, a rabid dog bit to death a mental home patient in the Kolomna district to the southeast of Moscow. The dog was shot by police.

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