

Ikea Scraps Story on Lesbian Couple From Russian Magazine

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The story as it appeared in the magazine's Swedish edition.

Ikea has removed a story about a lesbian couple from the Russian edition of its customer magazine, saying the article would have violated the Russian ban on gay "propaganda."

The December print edition of the furniture retailer's club magazine featured a story about a British lesbian couple, Clara and Kirsty, who talk about their life and raising children in Dorset, UK, the Daily Mail reported.

Ikea spokeswoman Ylva Magnusson said the story was available for customers in 25 markets worldwide, but not in Russia, because the country's law "has restrictions regarding promoting homosexual relationships," the Associated Press reported.

Ikea also came under international criticism last year for airbrushing women from photographs in the Saudi Arabia version of its catalog.

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