

# Heterosexual Rally Banned in Yekaterinburg

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The Department of Public Safety for the Sverdlovsk region has refused to permit a public heterosexual pride rally in Ekaterinburg on Nov. 13.

"The rally was not agreed upon," an official from the department told the Interfax news agency, citing technical problems with the organizers' application documents as the reason for refusing them a permit.

The march was organized by Sergei Yarutin, who heads a group called Patriots of Russia. According to him, the purpose of the march was to "protect children from information that promotes the negation of traditional values."

Earlier, the same authorities rejected an application for an LGBT march that was planned to be held on Nov. 8. in the same city.

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