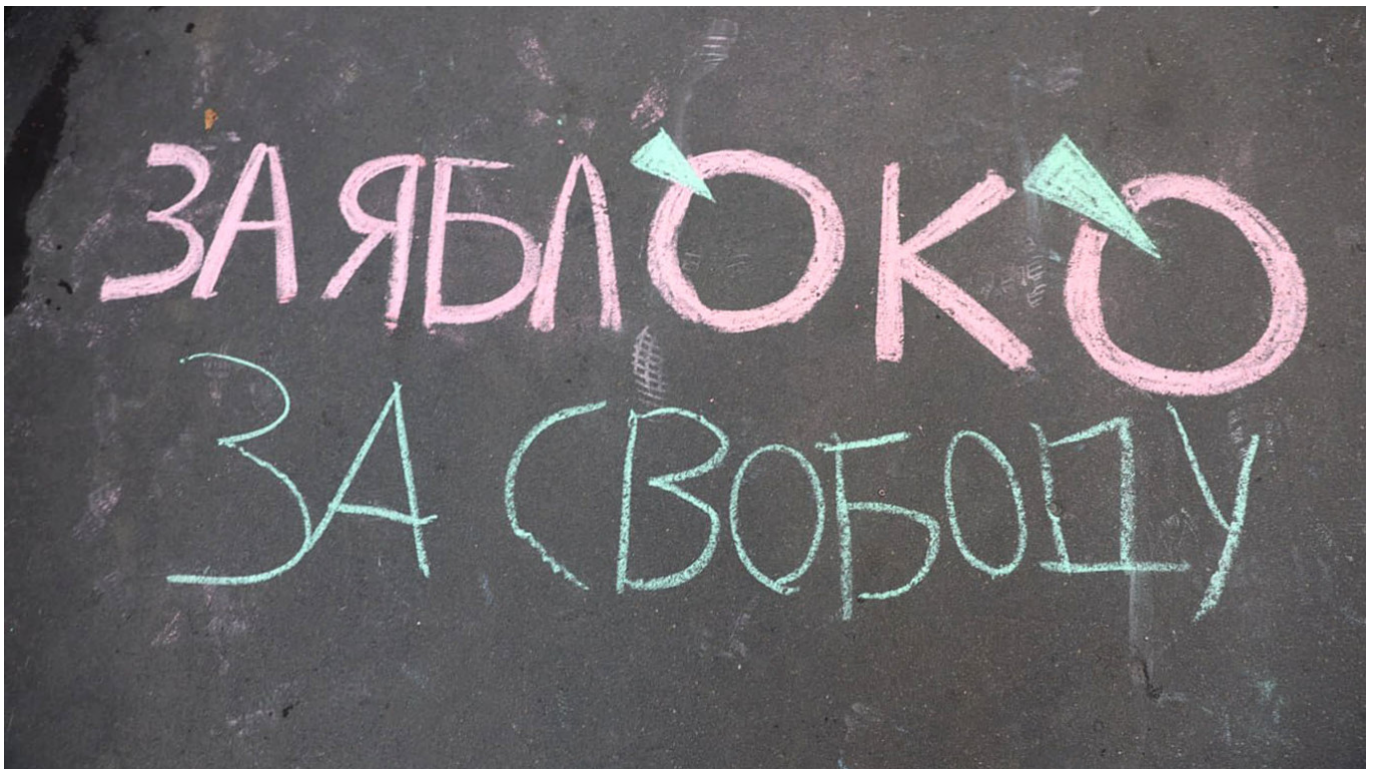


Yabloko List Candidates Disqualified in Tomsk Regional Elections

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A chalk inscription reading: "For Yabloko, for freedom." [@yabloko_press](#) / Telegram

A judge in western Siberia's Tomsk region has disqualified the liberal Yabloko party's list of candidates from the upcoming regional assembly elections, the party [said](#) Friday, though candidates running in single-member districts remain on the ballot.

Authorities have now invalidated or denied registration for Yabloko candidate lists in seven regions across Russia. The northwestern Novgorod region is the [only](#) remaining region where list candidates can still run for office.

A judge from the Tomsk Regional Court sided with the right-wing Liberal Democratic Party of Russia (LDPR), which accused Yabloko of copyright violations, exceeding campaign spending limits and using banned social media websites.

Yabloko, which [accused](#) LDPR of filing a "copycat" lawsuit amid widespread pressure on the party ahead of next week's elections, said it would appeal the decision.

Seven Yabloko candidates running in single-member constituencies in Tomsk remain on the ballot.

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At the national level, Yabloko candidates campaigning in single-member districts are still allowed to run for office after Russia's Supreme Court last month [ruled](#) to cancel the registration of the party's federal slate of candidates for the State Duma.

But Yabloko candidates competing in single-member districts are also beginning to see their campaigns cut short due to disqualification.

On Wednesday, the party [said](#) courts across several regions received last-minute lawsuits seeking to bar its members from running in the State Duma elections.

Yabloko said 17 of its single-member district candidates could be stripped of their registration if the court rulings are upheld, leaving the party represented in 104 single-member races nationwide.

The party also faces the risk of being stripped of its official registration due to legal requirements to field candidates in at least 20% of regional assembly elections or 10% of gubernatorial races every seven years.

Yabloko is Russia's oldest liberal party and is the only registered party campaigning on a pro-peace platform.

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