

Decriminalisation of homosexual acts in Bavaria

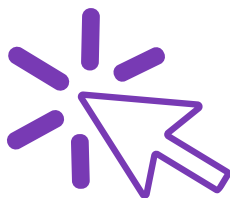


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Homosexual acts were not punishable by law in Bavaria from 1813 until the founding of the German Empire in 1871.

The French Code Napoleon contained no provisions criminalizing homosexual acts. The penal code for the Kingdom of Bavaria, which came into force in 1813, was based on this. The underlying idea was that consensual same-sex acts did not harm anyone. In contrast, homosexuality remained a criminal offence in most other German states, and traditional moral concepts shaped the way sexuality was dealt with in the laws.

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