

Rights in Russia Week-ending 26 January 2024

- Russia's war on Ukraine
- The State Duma registered a bill for debate on confiscating the property and assets of individuals convicted of distributing "false" information about Russia's armed forces, calls to violate Russia's territorial integrity, calls for sanctions against Russia and its citizens, collaborating on the implementation of decisions by international organizations in which Russia does not take part; and rehabilitatng Nazism. ([RFE/RL](#), 22/1/24)
- A Moscow court has sentenced Igor Girkin, the former commander of pro-Russian separatists in eastern Ukraine and an ex-security officer, to four years in prison on extremism charges linked to his criticism of Russia's war strategy in Ukraine. ([The Moscow Times](#), 25/1/24)
- Russia has ended its practice of granting presidential pardons to prisoners who agree to fight in Ukraine, instead offering them conditional release and sending them to the front till the war is over. ([The Moscow Times](#), 25/1/24)
- A court in Russia's northwestern city of Gatchina remanded Anastasia Dyudyayeva and Aleksandr Dotsenko in custody on charges charge of calling for terrorist acts by placing pro-Ukrainian leaflets in a local grocery store. were detained after police searched their home a day earlier. ([RFE/RL](#), 26/1/24)
- Aleksei Navalny
- Aleksei Navalny has been placed in a punitive solitary confinement cell for 10 days for "failing to promptly introduce himself to a prison guard." ([RFE/RL](#), 22/1/24)
- Alexei Navalny has disclosed he faces a new challenge: being forced to listen to a pro-Putin pop singer at 5am every morning. ([The Guardian](#), 23/1/24)
- Protests in Bashkortostan
- At least four people who protested the jailing of prominent Bashkir activist Fayil Alsynov could face up to 15 years in prison on charges of mass rioting in Bashkortostan. ([The Moscow Times](#), 22/1/24)
- Bashkir singer Altynai Valitov, who openly protested the incarceration of activist Fail Alsynov in Russia's Republic of Bashkortostan, wrote on Instagram on January 25 that he fled Russia fearing for his safety. ([RFE/RL](#), 26/1/24)
- Media
- Russian authorities have designated the independent youth news outlet DOXA as "undesirable," according to a senior member of Russia's lower house of parliament said Thursday. ([The Moscow Times](#), 25/1/24)
- A Moscow court has rejected the latest appeal by U.S. journalist Evan Gershkovich over his pretrial detention on an espionage. ([RFE/RL](#), 26/1/24)
- Apple paid a 1.2 billion-ruble (\$13.6 million) fine to the Russian government over Moscow's claims that the U.S. tech giant abused its dominant position in the mobile app market. ([RFE/RL](#), 22/1/24)
- 'Elections'
- Thousands of Russians have been lining up to leave signatures in support of presidential hopeful Boris Nadezhdin, who is campaigning for peace with Ukraine. ([The Moscow Times](#), 22/1/24)
- Children
- The UN Committee on the Rights of the Child is set to examine Russia's record over two days, as part of a regular review. ([RFE/RL](#), 22/1/24)

