

Since 1994, Switzerland has had an article in its Criminal Code that criminalizes public incitement to hatred and discrimination based on race, ethnicity or religion (anti-racism criminal provision). In 2020, this article of the Criminal Code was extended to include sexual orientation. Since then, the relevant article has been 261bis of the Swiss Criminal Code:



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Anyone who publicly incites hatred or violence against a person or a group of persons because of their race, ethnicity, religion or sexual orientation.

Discrimination who publicly disseminates ideologies aimed at the systematic disparagement or defamation of such persons or groups of persons, who with the same aim Propaganda campaigns organizes, promotes or participates in the organization, promotion or participation of anyone who publicly, by word, writing, image, gesture, assault or in any other way, harasses a person or a group of persons because of their race, ethnicity, religion or sexual orientation in a manner



Public agitation against Jews is a punishable offense in Switzerland

contrary to the law. Human dignity disparages or discriminates in a manner that is contrary to the law or for any of these reasons Genocide or other Crimes against humanity denies, grossly trivializes or seeks to justify, whoever refuses a service offered by him which is intended for the general public to a person or a group of persons because of their race, ethnicity, religion or sexual orientation is liable to a custodial sentence not exceeding three years or a monetary penalty.

[Further information on the Swiss anti-racism criminal standard](#)