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## Chinese tourists' behavior to be recorded

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In order to establish a mechanism for improving cultural tourism in China, the National Tourism Bureau will immediately begin recording uncivilized tourist behavior.

The Central Committee has moved to "further strengthen cultural tourism" and improve citizen awareness of what constitutes civilized travel, by implementing a record system based on the "People's Republic of China Tourism Law."



Under this approach, provincial tourism authorities are to establish records of uncivilized behavior by tourists in their administrative districts.

Information on incidents of uncivilized behavior will be gathered through conventional and social media and submitted to the provincial tourism authorities. Such information will be stored for a period of two years from the date the information was verified.

Uncivilized behavior refers to disturbances on public transportation, destruction of public facilities and tourist destinations, violations of social customs, participation in gambling and pornography, and other such activities.

Violators will be informed by tourist authorities that they are breaking the law and will suggest remedial measures. Those in the wrong will be subject to administrative penalties.

These measures follow in the wake of a series of incidents over the past two years instigated by Chinese tourists that have made international headlines. Some of those

incidents include the defacement of world heritage sites, public indecency and sanitation offenses, general rudeness, and fights on planes in flight that have caused cancellations and unscheduled landings.

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