

# Twitch Cracks Down on Hate Speech and Harassment | The New York Times

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Twitch, the livestreaming platform popular among video game players, unveiled new guidelines on Wednesday aimed at cracking down on hateful conduct and sexual harassment on its site.

The site, which is owned by Amazon, said it had broadened its definition of sexual harassment and separated such violations into a new category for the first time so it could take more action against them. Under the new guidelines, Twitch will ban lewd or repeated comments about anyone's physical appearance and expressly prohibit the sending of unsolicited links to nudity.

The company also said it would prohibit streamers from displaying the Confederate battle flag and take stricter action against those who target someone's immigration status. Violators could receive warnings, temporary suspensions or permanent bans from the platform.

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