

Trump's Truth Social not approved for Google Play store over content moderation concerns

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Google has not approved former President Donald Trump's Truth Social platform for the Google Play Store over content moderation concerns,

the tech giant owned by Alphabet said.

"On August 19, we notified Truth Social of several violations of standard policies in their current app submission and reiterated that having effective systems for moderating user-generated content is a condition of our terms of service for any app to go live on Google Play," Google said in a statement, according to multiple reports.

"Last week Truth Social wrote back acknowledging our feedback and saying that they are working on addressing these issues," Google added.

U.S. TODAY has reached out to Google for more information.

The delay was first reported by Axios.

The app launched on Apple's App Store in February. Android users make up approximately 40% of smartphone users in the United States, according to multiple reports.

Trump Media & Technology Group, Truth Social's parent company, in a [press release](#) said it has "worked in [good faith](#) with Google to ensure that the Truth Social Android App complies with Google's policies without compromising our promise to be a haven for free speech."

Trump announced last October that he would launch Truth Social, which made its debut in February. The former president was barred from Twitter and Facebook following the riot at the U.S. Capitol on Jan. 6, 2021, that attempted to disrupt Congress's certification of the 2020 presidential election.

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