

China to further curb Web access

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BEIJING -- China said it will restrict online video programming to those providers that are either state-owned or state-controlled. China said it will require Internet sites that allow video programming or video uploads to obtain a government permit but limited those permits to state-sanctioned companies, the Times of London said Friday. The new regulations go into force Jan. 31 and encourage people to report questionable Web-based material that does not "abide by the moral code of socialism." One Chinese Web manager said smaller providers may escape scrutiny and larger companies may partner with state-sanctioned sites. "This is China," he said "the companies always seem to find a way to get around new regulations."

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