

Facebook facing protest over removal of breastfeeding images

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Facebook is facing an online protest after removing pictures of breastfeeding mothers found to be overly

A Facebook group entitled "Hey, Facebook, breastfeeding is not obscene!" has attracted nearly 85,000 m

The organizers of the page, which is hosting a lively debate, receiving more than 10,000 comments, said women nursing their babies.

"The pictures have been reported as 'obscene' and have been removed --their posters warned not to rep

"We're wondering: what about a baby breastfeeding is obscene? Especially in comparison to MANY oth

"We agree that breastfeeding is natural and beautiful and we're very glad to know that it is so mportant t

"We take no action on the vast majority of breastfeeding photos because they follow the site's Terms of

"Photos containing a fully exposed breast (as defined by showing the nipple or areola) do violate those T

"These policies are designed to ensure Facebook remains a safe, secure and trusted environment for al

"The photos we act upon are almost exclusively brought to our attention by other users who complain," h

Saturday, the Facebook breastfeeding group staged a virtual protest online, called the Mothers Internati

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Real-life mothers also held a "nurse-in" outside Facebook's Palo Alto, California, headquarters the same

The local newspaper said a handful of activists attended the protest, signing songs, displaying signs and

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