

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

We, the members of Gamblers Anonymous (GA) from the Ural region of the Russian Federation, respectfully submit this request for the formal recognition of a new Area— the Ural.

Over the past 15 years, GA has seen significant growth in Russia. Today, active GA groups meet regularly in Tyumen, Yekaterinburg, Chelyabinsk, Magnitogorsk, and nearby Perm.

Currently, officially recognized Areas exist in:

- Moscow
- St. Petersburg
- The Volga region (Kazan)

Due to the vast geography of Russia, participating in the Kazan-based Intergroup presents logistical challenges. For example:

- Tyumen to Kazan – 1,349 km
- Yekaterinburg – 1,024 km
- Chelyabinsk – 947 km
- Perm – 667 km

These distances hinder regular collaboration and group involvement. In contrast, the cities within our region are much closer together, enabling more frequent and effective Intergroup communication and coordination.

Therefore, we have collectively decided to form the Ural Intergroup to better support our members, grow the fellowship, and more effectively carry the GA message within our region.

A trusted servant, Alexander O. (+7-919-951-27-77), was elected by group vote to fulfill the responsibilities of Intergroup service.

We respectfully request the following:

1. Recognition of the Ural Intergroup and its inclusion in the official register of GA Intergroups.
2. Approval as a new geographic area the groups of the Ural Intergroup. (Russia).
3. Publication of updated meeting information for Ural region groups in the “International Meetings” section of the GA website.

Participating in GA Groups in the Ural Intergroup:

****Yekaterinburg****

- "Out of the Game", 23 Opalikhinskaya St.

Tue, Thu, Fri – 19:45; Sat – 15:00
Contact: Anatoly – +7-968-527-18-18

- "Freedom", 27 Dekabristov St.
Mon – 21:00; Wed – 20:00; Sun – 11:00
Contact: Slava – +7-982-632-60-25

****Tyumen****

- "Field of Miracles", 9 Geologorazvedchikov St.
Mon to Fri – 19:00
Contact: Vyacheslav – +7-982-912-32-00

- "Voskresenye", 4 Yamskaya St., Office 107
Sun – 15:00
Contact: Evgeny – +7-919-933-30-59

****Perm****

- "First", 28 Gagarin Blvd., Office 210, 2nd Floor
Tue – 21:00
Contact: Victor – +7-908-260-89-36

****Chelyabinsk****

- "Ostap Bender", 77 Kaslinskaya St.
Wed – 20:00; Sun – 19:00
Contact: Maxim – +7-908-098-23-72

****Magnitogorsk****

- "Filin", 70 Sovetskaya St.
Meetings held weekly (no fixed schedule)
Contact: Alexey – +7-912-775-83-73

We sincerely appreciate your attention to this request and are available to provide any additional information you may need.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Gamblers Anonymous of the Ural Region.
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****Additional Information:****

1. Number of GA groups in the proposed geographic area: 7, with 19 weekly meetings.
2. Approximate number of GA members: 90–120.
3. The area includes 4 Regions of the Russian Federation:
 - Tyumen Oblast (160,122 km² / 61,823 sq mi)
 - Sverdlovsk Oblast (194,226 km² / 74,991 sq mi)

- Chelyabinsk Oblast (88,900 km² / 34,300 sq mi)
- Perm Krai (160,237 km² / 61,867 sq mi)

Total area: over 232,800 sq mi (smaller than Texas, larger than California).

4. Only one trustee is requested for this new geographic area