

Bund Deutscher Mädel (BDM)

The Bund Deutscher Mädel or BDM (League of German Girls) was the females' wing of the Nazi Party youth movement, the Hitler Youth. It was the only legal female youth organization in Nazi Germany. At first, the BDM consisted of two sections: the Jungmädelbund (League for Young Girls) for girls aged 10 to 14, and the BDM proper for girls aged 14 to 18. In 1938, a third section was introduced, the BDM-Werk Glaube und Schönheit (Faith and Beauty Society), which was voluntary and open to girls between the ages of 17 and 21. The BDM was first run directly by Reich Youth Leader Baldur von Schirach until 1934, then by Trude Mohr and from 1937 until the end in 1945 by Dr. Jutta Rüdiger.

With the surrender of Nazi Germany in 1945, the organization de facto ceased to exist. On 10 October 1945, it was outlawed by the Allied Control Council along with other Nazi Party organizations. We always have original BDM literature and memorabilia for sale on this website.