

National Laws

Legislation of Interpol member states on sexual offences against children

Lithuania - Lithuanie - Lituania

Vilnius

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I. Ages for legal purposes

Age of simple majority

The legal age of majority is eighteen (18) years.

Age of consent for sexual activities

Current legislation of the republic Of Lithuania makes no provisions with regard to the age of sexual interrelationship.

Age of consent for the marriage

The age of consent for the marriage is eighteen (18) years old. The legal age could be decreased up to fifteen (15) years with decision of the court. In case of pregnancy with decision of the court, a pregnant person could be allowed for marriage being less than fifteen (15).

II. Rape

Lithuanian Penal Code

Article 149. Rape

3. *Any person, who rapes a juvenile, shall be punished by imprisonment for a term from 3 to 10 years.*
4. *Any person, who rapes a young child, shall be punished by imprisonment for a term from 5 to 15 years.*

III. Other forms of child sex abuse

Lithuanian Penal Code

Article 150. Sexual Assault.

1. *Any person who, against the will of the victim, satisfies his sexual desires through anal, oral intercourse or any other physical contact by using physical force or threats of immediate violence, or in any other way depriving the victim of the possibility to show resistance, or by exploiting the helpless state of the victim, shall be punished by detention or imprisonment for a term of up to 6 years.*
2. *Any person, who commits the acts specified in paragraph 1 of this Article together with a group of accomplices, shall be punished by imprisonment for a term of up to 8 years.*
3. *Any person, who commits the actions specified in paragraph 1 of this Article in respect of a juvenile, shall be punished by imprisonment for a term from 2 to 12 years.*
4. *Any person, who commits the actions specified in paragraph 1 of this Article in relation to a young child, shall be punished by imprisonment for a term from 3 to 13 years.*

Article 151. Coercion into sexual relation.

1. *Any person, who by threat to use violence or using other physical force or threats or being victim dependant on him, made victim to have sexual intercourse or fulfill sexual desires with him or other person, shall be punished by detention or imprisonment for a term of up to 3 years.*
2. *Any person, who commits the acts specified in paragraph 1 of this Article in respect of juvenile, shall be punished by imprisonment for a term up to 5 years.*

Article 153. Depravation of Child.

Any person, who depraves young child, shall be punished by detention or imprisonment up to two years.

Article 157. Sale or Purchase of a Child

1. *Any person, who purchases, sells or in any other way transfers or acquires a young child, shall be punished by imprisonment for a term of up to 8 years.*
2. *Any person who is engaged in trafficking in young children shall be punished by imprisonment for a term from 2 to 10 years.*

IV. Child prostitution

Article 307. Earning a Profit from Prostitution by Another Person

3. *Any person, who earns a profit from prostitution by juveniles or organizes and manages juvenile prostitution or traffics a juvenile on his consent to/from the Republic of Lithuania, shall be punished by imprisonment for a term from 2 to 8 years.*

Article 308. Engagement into Prostitution

2. *Any person, who engages into prostitution another person who is dependent on him economically, through employment or in any other way, or engages another person into prostitution by using physical and psychological force or deceit, or who engages a juvenile into prostitution, shall be punished by imprisonment for a term from 2 to 7 years.*

V. Child pornography

Article 162, Sexual Child Exploitation

Any person, who uses a child for the production of pornographic material, shall be punished by a fine or arrest or imprisonment for a term of up to 4 years.

Article 309. The use of material of pornographic content

2. *Any person who produces, acquires, possesses, displays, advertises or distributes material of a pornographic nature, where a child or a person who looks like a child is presented, shall be punished by a fine or imprisonment for a term of up to 2 years.*

III/IV. The meaning of "young child" is addressed to a individual up to 14 years old and meaning of "juvenile" is addressed to a individual who is aged from 14 and up to 18 years old.