



THE LESBIAN, GAY AND BISEXUAL MAP OF WORLD LAWS

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These laws are aimed at lesbians, gay men and bisexuals and at same-sex activities and relationships. At times, they also apply to trans and intersex people. This edition of the world map (May 2015) was coordinated by Renato Sabbadini and Alessia Valenza (ILGA). Design: Eduardo Enoki. Data represented in this map is based on "State-Sponsored Homophobia: a World Survey of Laws: criminalisation, protection and recognition of same-sex love - 2015", an ILGA report by Aengus Carroll & Lucas Paoli Itaborahy, available in various languages on www.ilga.org. ILGA thanks its member organizations which contributed to the annual update.

PERSECUTION

DEATH PENALTY

6 countries and parts of Nigeria and Somalia

IMPRISONMENT

75 countries and 5 entities



"Anti-propaganda law" restricting freedom of expression and association

Death penalty

= NOT IMPLEMENTED
Iraq: persecution by organised non-state agents.

Imprisonment from 14 years to a life-long sentence

Imprisonment up to 14 years

Imprisonment, no precise indication of the length /banishment

Anti-Propaganda law without other legislation persecuting on the basis of sexual orientation

RECOGNITION

RECOGNITION OF SAME-SEX UNIONS

34 countries and 65 entities

JOINT ADOPTION

17 countries and 28 entities

* See ILGA's SSHR for names of States. When the majority of entities of one country has equality marriage, the whole country is attributed to the dark green color (Marriage).

Marriage

Equal (almost equal) substitute to marriage

Clearly inferior substitute to marriage

Joint adoption

PROTECTION

ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LAWS

69 countries and 85 entities



Countries which introduced laws prohibiting discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation

NO SPECIFIC LEGISLATION

No specific legislation



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