

TEMPLATE POLICY PAGE

Category:	Sexual Crime
Country:	Italy
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Relevant legislation:	<p>Law No 66 of 15 February 1996, “Regulations against sexual violence”, that introduced the modern concept of sexual violence according to which its criminal nature consists in being an offence against sexual self-determination whereas the modus operandi is immaterial. From a procedural point of view the law introduced the possibility of a “secure examination” of children victim of sexual abuse and/or exploitation.</p> <p>Law No 269 of 3 August 1998, “Regulations against exploitation of prostitution, pornography and sex tourism to the detriment of child victims as new forms of placing a person in conditions of slavery”, that introduced new types of offences and tools aimed at a more effective law enforcement action.</p> <p>Law No 38 of 6 February 2006, “Regulations concerning the fight against sexual exploitation of children and child pornography also through the Internet”, that introduced some amendments to the previous legislation and provided for the setting up of the “National Centre for Combating Child Pornography on the Internet” and of the “Observatory for the Fight against Paedophilia and Child Pornography.”</p> <p>Law No 172 of 1 October 2012, “Ratification and execution of the Council of Europe Convention on the Protection of Children against Sexual Exploitation and Sexual Abuse, done at Lanzarote on 25 October 2007, and rules adjusting domestic law”, that introduced some amendments from a substantive and procedural point of view, among which recourse to an expert in relation to the examination of a child victim of sexual abuse and changes to the benefits offered to persons detained on charges of sexual abuse of children.</p> <p>Legislative Decree No 39 of 4 March 2014, “Implementation of Directive 2011/93/EU on combating the sexual abuse and sexual exploitation of children and child pornography, and replacing</p>

	Council Framework Decision 2004/68/JHA ”, that introduced a specific aggravating circumstance for anyone using means capable of preventing the identification of data enabling access to computer networks as well as the obligation to request the certificate of previous convictions of the Criminal Records
Trends:	The number of sexual crimes reported over the last 3 years (2011-2013) has decreased, on average, by 5%

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