

# Czech Republic - Intimate Partner Violence

In the Czech Republic, "Maltreatment of a person living in a jointly occupied dwelling" means: whoever maltreats a close person or other person, that lives with him/her in jointly occupied flat or a house shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of six months up to four years.

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## Legal provisions on protection orders

Eviction: Act on Police No. 273/2008, Sections 44-47

Court protection: Code of Civil Procedure, Section 76b

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## Legal Source

Criminal Code, Section 199

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## Observations

The definition is limited only to situations of cohabitation and thus does not fully correspond to the definition of intimate partner violence.

Special circumstances (in the same legal provision):

The offender shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of two years up to eight years, a) if he/she commits the act defined in paragraph (1) in especially cruel manner or on more than one person, b) if he/she causes grievous bodily harm, c) if the offence is perpetrated against more than two people, or d) if the contravention has continued for a prolonged period of time. The offender shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of five years up to twelve years if he/she causes by the act defined in paragraph (1), a) serious bodily harm to at least two people, or b) death.