

Italy - Rape

Whoever, by force or by threat or abuse of authority, forcing another person to commit or suffer sexual acts shall be punished with imprisonment from five to ten years.

Legal Source

Criminal Code, Article 609bis

Observations

In February 1996 sexual violence ceased to be a “crime against public morality” and was fully recognized as a "crime against the person". Consequently, the crime of sexual violence is specifically defined by the Penal Code.