

**Article 171. Exploitation of prostitution or creating conditions for prostitution:**

*(as amended in Law of Belarus of 04.05.2005 N 15-3)*

1. Exploitation of prostitution by another person or provision of premises (location) for monetary gain by a person, who knew beyond doubt that these premises (location) will be used for prostitution or establishment and/or upkeep of a brothel for the engagement in prostitution when signs of a graver offense are lacking -

*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of three to five years.*

2. Similar actions involving removal of a person outside of the country for the engagement in prostitution or committed by an officer of state with the abuse of power or by a person with prior convictions for offences under this article and articles 171-1 or 181 of this Code or with the use of persons known to be under age for prostitution or committed by an organized group, -

*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of seven to ten years with the confiscation of property.*

**Article 171-1. Involving into prostitution or forcing into a continuation of prostitution:**

*(introduced by Law of Belarus of 04.05.2005 N 15-3)*

1. Involving into prostitution or forcing into a continuation of prostitution -  
*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of one to three years.*

2. Similar actions committed repetitively or with the use of force or the threat or by a person with prior convictions for offences under articles 171 or 181 of this Code or by a person who reached the age of 18 against a person known to be under age, -

*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of three to five years.*

3. Actions specified by parts one and two of this article committed by a parent, teacher or other person performing parenting functions with regard to a minor against a person known to be under age or by an organized group, -

*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of seven to ten years.*

**Article 181. Human trafficking:**

*(as amended by Law of Belarus of 04.05.2005 N 15-3)*

1. The buying/selling of a person or other transactions committed against a person as well as recruitment, transportation, transfer, harbouring or receipt of a person (human trafficking) committed for exploitation purposes -

*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of five to seven years with the confiscation of property.*

2. Similar actions committed:

- 1) against a person known to be under age;
- 2) against two or more persons;
- 3) for the purposes of sexual exploitation;
- 4) to remove organs or tissues of a victim for transplantation;
- 5) by a group of persons by previous concert;
- 6) by an officer of state through the abuse of power;
- 7) by a person who previously committed offences under this article, articles 171 or 171-1 of this Code;
- 8) for the purpose of transporting a victim outside of the country;
- 9) taking advantage of a victim's vulnerability (concatenation of difficult personal, family or other circumstances);
- 10) by deception, abuse of confidence or combined with the use of force, the threat or other forms of coercion, -  
*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of ten to twelve years with the confiscation of property.*

3. Actions stipulated by parts one or two of this article resulting in reckless death of a victim or infliction of grievous bodily injuries or other grave consequences or committed by an organized group, -  
*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of twelve to fifteen years with the confiscation of property.*

**Note:**

1. For the purpose of this article, articles 182 and 187 of this Code exploitation of a person implies illegal forcing of a person into labour or provision of services in case he/she is unable to refuse this work (services) for reasons beyond their control, including slavery or slavery-like practices.

2. For the purpose of this article, articles 182 and 187 of this Code sexual exploitation is understood as gaining from acts of a sexual nature performed by another person, including exploitation of prostitution.

**Article 182. Abduction:**

1. Illegal capture of a person – secret, open, by deception or the abuse of confidence or combined with the use of force or the threat or other forms of coercion – in the absence of signs of an offence under article 291 of this Code (abduction), -  
*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of five to seven years with or without the confiscation of property.*

(part 1, article 182 as amended by Law of Belarus of 04.05.2005 N 15-3)

2. Similar action committed:

- 1) against a person known to be under age;
- 2) against two or more persons;
- 3) for monetary gain;
- 4) for the purposes of sexual or other exploitation;
- 5) to remove organs or tissues of a victim for transplantation;
- 6) by a group of persons by previous concert;

(subparagraph 6, part 2, article 182 as amended by Law of Belarus of 04.05.2005 N 15-3)

7) with the use of force, dangerous for life or health, or accompanied by cruelty or torture, -

*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of five to fifteen years with the confiscation of property.*

(paragraph 2, part 2, article 182 as amended by Law of Belarus of 04.05.2005 N 15-3)

3. Actions stipulated by parts one or two of this article resulting in reckless death of a victim or infliction of grievous bodily injuries or other grave consequences or committed by an organized group, -

*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of ten to fifteen years with the confiscation of property.*

(part 3, article 182 as amended by Law of Belarus of 04.05.2005 N 15-3)

**Article 187. Illegal acts directed towards foreign employment of Belarusian citizens:**

(as amended by Law of Belarus of 04.05.2005 N 15-3)

1. Illegal acts directed towards foreign employment of citizens, if, as a result of such acts, persons who have been secured employment abroad were subjected to sexual or other exploitation against the will of a person in the absence of signs of the offence stipulated by article 181 of this Code (illegal acts directed towards foreign employment of citizens), -

*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of three to five with the revocation of the right to hold certain offices or pursue certain activities.*

2. Illegal acts directed towards foreign employment of citizens committed repetitively or by a person with prior convictions for offences provided by articles 171, 171-1 or 181 of this Code, -

*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of four to six years with the revocation of the right to hold certain offices or pursue certain activities.*

3. Illegal acts directed towards foreign employment of citizens of Belarus committed by an organized group, -

*are punishable by imprisonment for a term of six to eight years with the confiscation of property and with the revocation of the right to hold certain offices or pursue certain activities.*