

## Persecutory acts The offences introduced by the “Red Code”

In the Italian criminal code there's no provision concerning gender-based violence.

Legal provisions are in place for sexual violence, stalking or persecutory acts and domestic violence.

The “Red Code” has tightened the penalties for a series of offences and has introduced four new crimes:

- the illegal circulation of sexually explicit photos or videos (revenge porn)
- the disfigurement of a person as a result of permanent injuries
- forcing or inducing to marriage
- the violation of restraining orders such as the removal from the family home or the prohibition to approach the places frequented by the victim.

A type of gendered crime which is not the subject of specific rules but is generally considered as the most extreme expression of violence against women is femicide.

### Find more information here:

Brochure "This is not love" 2021

Statistics – website of the Ministry of the Interior

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