

SEX AND THE LAW

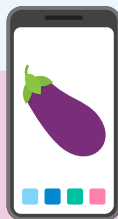
The police may consider it a criminal offence if you...



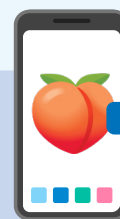
Have sex with someone who is too drunk or high to understand what is happening.



Make someone have sex if they don't want to, even if you're in a relationship.



Take, share or keep sexual images of someone under 18 (even if they are of you).



Share nudes of someone without their consent no matter how old they are.

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In the UK, the legal age of consent for sexual activity is 16.

The law is designed to protect young people from abuse by adults. **It is not meant to criminalise people under 16 who are having sex, who are both a similar age.** You can talk to our sexual health team in confidence.