

LOUISIANA

SEXUAL OFFENSE STATUTES	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	DNA EXCEPTION
LA. REV. STAT. § 14:42 Aggravated rape Punishable by life imprisonment at hard labor without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence Kennedy v. Louisiana, 128 S.Ct. 2641, 2008 WL 2511282 (June 25, 2008). (R.S. 14:42(D)(2) held unconstitutional as Eighth Amendment prohibits the death penalty for the rape of a child where the crime did not result, and was not intended to result, in death of the victim.) LA. REV. STAT. § 14:42.1 Forcible rape Punishable by imprisonment at hard labor for not less than 5 nor more than 40 years LA. REV. STAT. § 14:43 Simple rape Punishable by imprisonment with or without hard labor, without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence, for not more than 25 years LA. REV. STAT. § 14:43.1 Sexual battery Punishable by imprisonment with or without hard labor, without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence, for not more than 10 years	LA. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 571 Crimes for which there is no time limitation No time limit for any crime for which the punishment may be death or life imprisonment, or for forcible rape (§ 14:42.1) LA. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 571.1 Time limitation for certain sex offenses For the following offenses committed against a victim under 17, 30-year time limit which begins to run when victim attains the age of 18: Sexual battery (§ 14:43.1) Second degree sexual battery (§ 14:43.2) Oral sexual battery (§ 14:43.3) Felony carnal knowledge of a juvenile (§ 14:80) Indecent behavior with juveniles (§ 14:81) Molestation of a juvenile (§ 14:81.2) Crime against nature (§ 14:89) Aggravated crime against nature (§ 14:89.1) Incest (§ 14:78)	LA. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 572 Limitation of prosecution of noncapital offenses (B) (2) Prosecutions for any sex offense otherwise barred may be commenced within three years after the date on which the identity of the suspect is established by a DNA testing
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- If victim was under 13 and offender was 17 or over, punishable by imprisonment at hard labor for not less than 25 nor more than 99 years.
- La. Rev. Stat. § 14:43.2 Sexual battery, second degree
 - Punishable by imprisonment with or without hard labor, without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence, for not more than 15 years
 - If victim was under 13 and offender was 17 or over, punishable by imprisonment at hard labor for not less than 25 nor more than 99 years.
- LA. REV. STAT. § 14:43.3 Oral sexual battery Punishable by imprisonment, with or without hard labor, without benefit of parole, probation, or suspension of sentence, for not more than 10 years
 - If victim was under 13 and offender was over 17, punishable by imprisonment at hard labor for not less than 25 nor more than 99 years.
- La. Rev. Stat. § 14:43.5 Intentional exposure to AIDS virus
 - Punishable by fine of not more than \$5000, and/or by imprisonment with or without hard labor for not more than 10 years
- If victim was a police officer, punishable by fine of not more than \$6000, and/or by imprisonment with or without hard labor for not more than 11 years

- Aggravated incest (§ 14:78.1)
- LA. CODE CRIM. PROC. art. 572 Limitation of prosecution of noncapital offenses
 - (A) (1) For a felony necessarily punishable by imprisonment at hard labor, within six years after commission of the offense
 - (A) (2) For a felony not necessarily punishable by hard labor, within four years after commission of the offense
 - (A) (3) For a misdemeanor punishable by a fine, or imprisonment, or both, within two years after commission of the offense
 - (A) (4) For a misdemeanor punishable only by a fine or forfeiture, within six months after commission of the offense

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La. Rev. Stat. § 14:78 Incest If between ascendant and descendant, or between brother and sister, punishable by imprisonment at hard labor for not more than 15 years If between uncle and niece, or between aunt and nephew, punishable by fine of not more than \$1000, and/or by imprisonment with or without hard labor for not more than 5 years	
La. Rev. Stat. § 14:78.1 Aggravated incest Punishable by fine of not more than \$50,000, and/or by imprisonment with or without hard labor, for not less than 5 years nor more than 20 years If victim is under 13 and offender is at least 17, punishable by imprisonment at hard labor for not less than 25 years nor more than 99 years	
La. Rev. Stat. § 14:80 Felony carnal knowledge of a juvenile Punishable by fine not more than \$5000 and/or by imprisonment with or without hard labor, for not more than 10 years	
La. Rev. Stat. § 14:80.1 Misdemeanor carnal knowledge of a juvenile Punishable by fine not more than \$1000, and/or by imprisonment for not more than 6 months	
LA. REV. STAT. § 14:81 Indecent behavior with juveniles	

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Punishable by fine not more than \$5000 and/or by	
imprisonment with or without hard labor for	
not more than seven years	
If victim is under 13 and offender is at least 17,	
punishable by imprisonment at hard labor for	
not less than 2 nor more than 25 years.	
LA. REV. STAT. § 14:81.2 Molestation of a juvenile	
Punishable by fine not more than \$5000 and/or by	
imprisonment with or without hard labor, for	
not less than 5 nor more than 10 years	
If offender has control or supervision over	
juvenile, punishable by fine not more than	
\$10000 and/or by imprisonment with or	
without hard labor, for not less than 5 nor more	
than 20 years	
If offender commits incidents of molestation that	
recur during a period of time more than 1 year,	
punishable by fine of not more than \$10000	
and/or by imprisonment, with or without hard	
labor, for not less than 5 nor more than 40 years	
If victim is under 13, punishable by imprisonment	
at hard labor for not less than 25 nor more than	
99 years	
If offender is educator of the juvenile, punishable	
by fine not more than \$10000 and/or by	
imprisonment with or without hard labor, for	
not less than 5 nor more than 40 years	
LA. REV. STAT. § 14:81.4 Prohibited sexual conduct	
between educator and student	
Punishable by fine of not more than \$1000,	
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and/or by imprisonment for not more than 6		
months		
If second or subsequent offense, punishable by		
fine of not more than \$5000 and by		
imprisonment with or without hard labor, for		
not less than 1 nor more than 5 years		
LA. REV. STAT. § 14:89 Crime against nature		
Unnatural carnal copulation by a human being with		
an animal (Louisiana Electorate of Gays and		
Lesbians, Inc. v. Connick, App. 5 Cir.2005, 902		
So.2d 1090, 04-1468 (La.App. 5 Cir. 4/26/05),		
held unconstitutional portions of statute relating		
to "unnatural carnal copulation" between human		
beings)		
Punishable by fine of not more than \$2000,		
and/or imprisonment, with or without hard		
labor, for not more than 5 years		
labor, for not more than 3 years		
LA. REV. STAT. § 14:89.1 Aggravated crime against		
nature		
Punishable by imprisonment at hard labor without		
benefit of suspension of sentence, probation or		
parole, for not less than 3 nor more than 15		
years		
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