



CHILD ONLINE PROTECTION

NEW ZEALAND



- National Legislation
- National Strategy or Policy
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BACKGROUND

Total Population: 4 461 000

(data source: [United Nations Statistics Division](#), December 2012)

Internet users, percentage of population: 89.51%

(data source: [ITU Statistics](#), December 2012)

Internet users age 15-24: 579 000

Internet user age 25-74: 2 039 000

(Composition by age available for the country answered ITU survey; data source: internal ITU statistics, December 2009)

NATIONAL LEGISLATION

- [Sections 124 and 131B](#) of the Crimes Act.
- [Sections 3, 127](#) of the Films, Videos and Publications Classification Act.

NATIONAL STRATEGY

- [New Zealand's Cybersecurity Strategy](#) recognizes the importance of increasing awareness and online security, but does not make any specific mention to child online protection.
- [The Police of New Zealand](#) has an [Electronic Crime Strategy](#) which provides for ISP's liability and definition of sexual/indecent electronic crime.

UN CONVENTION

- Signed and ratified, with no declarations or reservations to articles 16, 17(e) and 34(c), the [Convention on the Rights of the Child](#).

UN PROTOCOL

- Signed and ratified, with no declarations or reservations to articles 2 and 3, the [Optional Protocol to The Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography](#).

INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

- [The Department of Internal Affairs](#) has [information](#) on child online safety for children and parents.
- [The Privacy Commissioner](#) has specific [information](#) on youth privacy.
- [The Police of New Zealand](#) has [redirecting links](#) to internet safety in general and child online protection specifically. It also has a specialist team ([OCEANZ](#)) focused on child exploitation.
- The National Cybersecurity Centre ([NCSC](#)) provides information on general cyber-threats and cybersecurity, but not specifically on child online protection. It does provide though links for other websites dealing with that.

REPORTING MECHANISM

- [NCSC](#) provides the number (04) 498-7654 and either a report to be filled in its website.