



CHILD ONLINE PROTECTION

UNITED KINGDOM



- National Legislation
- National Strategy or Policy
- UN Convention
- UN Protocol
- Institutional Support
- Reporting Mechanism

BACKGROUND

Total Population: 62 798 000

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

Internet users, percentage of population: 87.02%

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

Internet users age 15-24: 7 233 138

Internet user age 25-74: 31 228 935

(Composition by age available for the country answered ITU survey; data source: internal ITU statistics, December 2011)

NATIONAL LEGISLATION

- [§48-§50](#) of the Sexual Offences Act.
- [§1](#) of the Protection of Children Act.
- [§63](#) of the Criminal Justice and Immigration Act.
- [§1](#) of the Malicious Communications Act.

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 Child Exploitation and Online Protection ([CEOP](#)), under the UK Police, provides information on online safety for children, parents and carers.

REPORTING MECHANISM

- Inappropriate and offensive content can be reported in the website of [CEOP](#).
- Online Criminal Content can be reported in the website of the [Internet Watch Foundation](#).
- Computer Incidents can be reported by a filling a form found in the website of the UK Computer Emergency Resonse Team ([GovCertUK](#)), under the National Technical Authority for Information Assurance or by the phone number 01242 709311.