

Coco's Law — Ireland's Harassment, Harmful Communications and Related Offences Act 2020

Gender Equality · Good practice · Ireland

Quality score: 89/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Ireland's 2020 'Coco's Law' criminalised sharing intimate images without consent and persistent online harassment. A 2024 review found almost 100 prosecutions and over 1,000 Hotline.ie complaints acted on — though it still omits AI-generated deepfakes.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	3/3
Impact on gender equality	1/1
Effectiveness	1/1
Efficiency	0/1
Evaluated outcomes	1/1
Sustainability	1/1
Achievement / evidence	1/1
Gender-mainstreaming embedding	1/1
Curator validation	1/1

Evaluated by C-NAPSE

Data sources

[C-NAPSE web research](#) — accessed 2026-09-22

[Department of Justice, Home Affairs and Migration \(Ireland\)](#) — accessed 2026-09-22

[RTÉ: Nearly 100 prosecutions under Coco's Law since inception](#) — accessed 2026-09-22

[McCann FitzGerald: Three Years of Coco's Law](#) — accessed 2026-09-22

[Irish Times: Coco's Law may be strengthened to tackle AI deepfakes](#) — accessed 2026-09-22

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