

Spain's Organic Law 1/2004 — Integrated Protection Against Gender Violence (LOVG)

Gender Equality · Good practice · Spain

Quality score: 96/100

Evidence strength: Observational / pre–post

Summary

Spain's 2004 LOVG created 106 specialised gender-violence courts, emergency protection orders and free legal aid. In 15 years the courts handled 2 million complaints and secured 700,000 convictions — a global model for integrated GBV legislation cited by the Istanbul Convention.

Key dimensions

Dimension	Score
Transferability / replicability	2/3
Impact on gender equality	1/1
Effectiveness	1/1
Efficiency	1/1
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 2026-06-21

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[CoE: Organic Act 1/2004 full text \(English\)](#) — accessed 2026-06-21

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