Country Profile: Spain

Region: Southern Europe

Identified policies and legal sources related to abortion:

- Reproductive Health Act
- General Medical Health Act
- Constitution
- Criminal / Penal Code
- Civil Code
- Ministerial Order / Decree
- Case Law
- Health Regulation / Clinical Guidelines
- EML / Registered List
- Medical Ethics Code
- Document Relating to Funding
- Abortion Specific Law
- Law on Medical Practitioners
- Law on Health Care Services
- Other

Related Documents

From Criminal / Penal Code:
- Penal Code, 1995

From Ministerial Order / Decree:
- Decree on Quality of Care regarding Abortion

From Health Regulation / Clinical Guidelines:
- Medical Abortion Protocol (Catalunya)
- Abortion Protocol (Canary Islands)

From EML / Registered List:
- Law on Use of Medicines and Health Products, 2006
- Medicines List, 2012
- Mifepristone Registration
- Misoprostol Registration

From Abortion Specific Law:
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010

List of ratified human rights treaties:
- CERD
- CCPR
- Xst
- OP
- 2nd
- OP
- CESC
- CESC-OP
- CAT
- CAT-OP
- CEDAW
- CEDAW-OP
- CRC
- CRC-OPSC
- CRC-OPAC
- CRC-OPIC
- CMW
- CRPD *
- CRPD-OP
- CED **
- Maputo Protocol

Concluding Observations:
- CESC
- CESC
- CRPD
- CEDAW
- WG - DWLP
- CESC
- CRPD

Persons who can be sanctioned:
- A woman or girl can be sanctioned
- Providers can be sanctioned
- A person who assists can be sanctioned

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# Abortion at the woman's request

## Legal Ground and Gestational Limit

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### Economic or social reasons

- **Related documents:** Penal Code, 1995 (page 43)

### Foetal impairment

- **Related documents:** Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)

#### Gestational limit

- **Weeks:** 22 or No limit (depending on circumstance)

  The limit of 22 weeks in case of foetal impairment applies when there is a 'risk of serious anomaly in the foetus'. There is no limit of weeks in case of foetal abnormality incompatible with life or an extremely serious and incurable disease of the foetus.

  - **Related documents:** Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)

### Rape

- **Related documents:** Penal Code, 1995 (page 43)

### Incest

- **Related documents:** Penal Code, 1995 (page 43)
The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.

The protection of women from cruel, inhuman and degrading treatment requires that those who have become pregnant as the result of coerced or forced sexual acts can lawfully access safe abortion services. Prompt, safe abortion services should be provided on the basis of a woman’s complaint rather than requiring forensic evidence or police examination. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 4.2.1.3.

- **Source document:** WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 102)

### Intellectual or cognitive disability of the woman

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- **Gestational limit**

  **Weeks:** 22

  - Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)

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**Related documents:**
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**Number and cadre of health-care professional authorizations required**

Depends on indication

Specialist Doctor, Including OB/GYN

An authorisation by one doctor or specialist is required in case of serious risk to the life or health of the woman – except in case of emergency. Two specialists must issue an opinion in case of risk of serious anomalies in the fetus. Where fetal anomalies are found to be incompatible with life and are recorded in an opinion previously issued by a doctor or specialist or when an extremely serious and incurable disease is detected in the fetus, confirmation by a multidisciplinary Clinical Committee is required. The authorizing doctors or specialists must be different from the person undertaking the abortion procedure.

- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)
- https://abortion-policies.srhr.org/documents/countries/

**WHO Guidance**

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Third-party authorization should not be required for women to obtain abortion services. The requirement for authorization by hospital authorities may violate the right to privacy and women's access to health care on the basis of equality of men and women. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 4.2.2.2.

**Source document:** WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 105)

**Additional notes**

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Judicial authorization for minors

Not specified

Related documents:
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

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Source document: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 106)

Judicial authorization in cases of rape

NOT APPLICABLE

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Laws, policies and practices that restrict access to abortion information and services can deter women from care seeking and create a “chilling effect” (suppression of actions because of fear of reprisals or penalties) for the provision of safe, legal services. Examples of barriers include: requiring third-party authorization from one or more medical professionals or a hospital committee, court or police, parent or guardian or a woman’s partner or spouse. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 4.2.2

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Police report required in case of rape

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Parental consent required for minors

Yes

Related documents:
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 8)

Can another adult consent in place of a parent?

Yes

The parents/tutors/guardians must be informed of the decision of the minor. In exceptional circumstances established in Article 13 (danger, risk of violent reprisals), this requirement can be waived.

- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 8)

Age where consent not needed

16

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**Additional notes**:

Spousal consent

The parents/tutors/guardians must be informed of the decision of the minor. In exceptional circumstances established in Article 13 (danger, risk of violent reprisals), this requirement can be waived.

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**Related documents**:

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- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

Ultrasound images or listen to foetal heartbeat required

**Not specified**

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**Related documents**:

- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

Compulsory counselling

**Yes**

**Related documents**:

- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)

Compulsory waiting period

**Yes**

**Related documents**:

- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)
**Waiting period**
When the woman is given advice about abortion, rights and support
3 days

**Mandatory HIV screening test**

- **WHO Guidance**
The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.
States should consider eliminating waiting periods that are not medically required, and expanding services to serve all eligible women promptly. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 4.2.2.6.

- **Source document**: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 107)
- **Not specified**
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**Related documents:**
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

**Other mandatory STI screening tests**

- **WHO Guidance**
The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.
Requirements for HIV and other tests that are not clinically indicated are potential service-delivery barriers. Safe Abortion Guidelines, p 88.

- **Source document**: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 88)
- **Not specified**
When there is no explicit reference to an issue covered in the questionnaire in the relevant document(s), this is noted and no interpretation was made.

**Prohibition of sex-selective abortion**

- **WHO Guidance**
The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.
In situations where abortion is restricted for sex selection purposes, terminating a pregnancy for this reason is likely to involve an unsafe procedure carrying high risks. Any policies or guidelines on the use of technology in obstetric and fetal medicine should take into account the need to ensure women’s access to safe abortion and other services - efforts to manage or limit sex selection should also not hamper or limit access to safe abortion services. Preventing gender-biased sex selection: an interagency statement, p 10 - Recommendation.

- **Source document**: Preventing Gender-Biased Sex Selection (page 17)
- **Not specified**
When there is no explicit reference to an issue covered in the questionnaire in the relevant document(s), this is noted and no interpretation was made.

**Restrictions on information provided to the public**

- **WHO Guidance**
No data found
The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.

Restrictions on methods to detect sex of the foetus

States should refrain from limiting access to means of maintaining sexual and reproductive health, including censoring, withholding or intentionally misrepresenting health-related information. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 4.2.2.7.

**Source document:** WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 107)

Other

The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.

**WHO Guidance**

A woman is entitled to know the status of her pregnancy and to act on this information. Prenatal tests and other medical diagnostic services cannot legally be refused because the woman may decide to terminate her pregnancy. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 4.2.1.4.

**Source document:** WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 103)

Clinical and Service-delivery Aspects of Abortion Care

**National guidelines for induced abortion**

Yes, guidelines issued by the government

**Related documents:**
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion (page 5)

**WHO Guidance**

Standards and guidelines should be developed and updated with the intent of eliminating barriers to obtaining the highest attainable standard of sexual and reproductive health. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 3.3. Standards and guidelines should cover: types of abortion service, where and by whom they can be provided; essential equipment, instruments, medications, supplies and facility capabilities; referral mechanisms; respect for women's informed decision-making, autonomy, confidentiality and privacy. Safe Abortion Guidelines, p. 63.

**Source document:** WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 75)

**Additional notes**

The Association of Accredited Clinics for the Interruption of Pregnancy, a private body, provides guidelines. No evidence was found that these are endorsed by the government. They are accessible at: http://www.acaive.com/pdf/ACAI%20Guide%20Care%20and%20Operation%20protocol%20for%20Induced%20Abortion.pdf.

At the regional level, there is some guidance, see for instance the guidance for Catalunya (8) and the Canary Islands (9).

**Related documents:**
- Medical Abortion Protocol, Catalunya (page 1)
- Abortion protocol, Canary Islands (page 1)

**Methods allowed**

- **Vacuum aspiration**
  - Not specified
    - Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

- **Dilatation and evacuation**
  - Not specified
    - Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

- **Combination mifepristone-misoprostol**
  - Not specified
    - Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

- **Misoprostol only**
  - Not specified
    - Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion
The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.

Vacuum aspiration is the recommended technique of surgical abortion for pregnancies of up to 12 to 14 weeks of gestation. The procedure should not be routinely completed by dilatation and sharp curettage (D&C). Safe Abortion Guidelines, Executive Summary, Box 1-Recommendation.

Source document: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 123)

Dilation and evacuation (D&E) and medical methods (mifepristone and misoprostol; misoprostol alone) are both recommended methods for abortion for gestations over 12 to 14 weeks. Safe Abortion Guidelines, Executive Summary, Box 3-Recommendation.

Source document: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 123)

The recommended method for medical abortion is mifepristone followed by misoprostol (regimen differs by gestational age). Safe Abortion Guidelines, Executive Summary, Box 2-Recommendation.

Source document: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 13)

The combination of mifepristone and misoprostol for medical abortion is included on the WHO model list of essential medicines. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 2.2.5

Source document: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 54)

Chemists/pharmacists can help women avoid unintended pregnancy through provision of accurate contraceptive information, pregnancy tests, contraceptive methods and referral to safe abortion services. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 3.3.1.1.

Source document: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 13)
services be provided

Primary health-care centres
Yes
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion (page 2)

Secondary (district-level) health-care facilities
Not specified
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

Specialized abortion care public facilities
Not specified
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

Private health-care centres or clinics
Yes
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion (page 2)

NGO health-care centres or clinics
Not specified
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

Other (if applicable)
Abortion is to be provided in public hospitals that fulfill the legal requirements established in the Annex of the Quality of Care Guidelines or in private hospitals that, fulfilling the same requirements, obtain an authorisation from a local authority.
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion (page 2)

**WHO Guidance**

The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.

Abortion services should be available at primary-care level, with referral systems in place for all required higher-level care. Safe Abortion Guidelines, Executive Summary, Box 6- Recommendation.

**Source document:** WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 18)

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National guidelines for post-abortion care
Yes, guidelines issued by the government

**Related documents:**
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion (page 5)

**WHO Guidance**

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Where can post-abortion care services be provided

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**WHO Guidance**

The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.

*The facilities and skills required to manage most abortion complications are similar to those needed to care for women who have had a spontaneous abortion (miscarriage). Safe Abortion Guidelines § 2.2.6.*

Source document: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 57)

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Contraception included in post-abortion care

- Not specified

**Related documents:**

- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

**WHO Guidance**

The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.

*All women should receive contraceptive information and be offered counselling for and methods of post-abortion contraception, including emergency contraception, before leaving the health-care facility. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 2.3.*

Source document: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 62)

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Insurance to offset end user costs

- Yes

**Related documents:**

- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion (page 2)

Induced abortion for all women

- Yes

**Related documents:**

- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion (page 2)

Induced abortion for poor women only

- No

**Related documents:**

- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion (page 2)

Abortion complications
### Extra facility/provider requirements for delivery of abortion services

#### Referral linkages to a higher-level facility
- Not specified
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010
- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

#### Availability of a specialist doctor, including OB/GYN
- Yes
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)

#### Minimum number of beds
- Not specified
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010

### Who can provide abortion services

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### Private health coverage
- Not specified
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010

### Other (if applicable)

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Financing of abortion services should take into account costs to the health system while ensuring that services are affordable and readily available to all women who need them. Safe Abortion Guidelines, Executive Summary, Box 6 - Recommendation. Abortion services should be mandated for coverage under insurance plans; women should never be denied or delayed because of the inability to pay. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 3.6.2.

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**Source document:** WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 18)

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**Related documents:**

- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 8)
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 9)
Conscientious Objection

Other (if applicable)

Facilities are required to have:
- a reception area and waiting room
- a room to provide information to pregnant women
- space for physical and ultrasound examination
- Zone for surgical cleaning
- a room suitable for voluntary abortion
- a rest and recovery room
- equipment necessary to perform gynecological examinations material.
- equipment to perform abortion
- ultrasound
- heart monitoring equipment
- ventilator/ventilation system
- defibrillator and cardiopulmonary resuscitation equipment
- systems that enable the administration of oxygen
- electrical system maintenance

For high-risk pregnancy abortions or abortions after 14 weeks, the following requirements also apply:
- equipment to perform abortion under whichever method of anaesthesia (*bajo cualquier modalidad de anestesia*)
- electrocardiograph
- intubation equipment
- obstetric and gynecology unit
- blood bank or depository

Nurse and hospital units concerned

- Decree on Quality of Care Regarding abortion

WHO Guidance

The following descriptions and recommendations were extracted from WHO guidance on safe abortion.

Abortion facilities within both the public and private sectors should be available at all levels of the health system, with appropriate referral mechanisms between facilities. Safe Abortion Guidelines, § 3.3.1.

Source document: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 75)

Conscientious Objection

Related documents:
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 11)

Individual health-care providers who have objected are required to refer the woman to another provider

Not specified

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- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010

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Private sector providers

Related documents:
- Law on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Abortion, 2010 (page 11)

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Source document: WHO Safe Abortion Guidance (page 106)

Provider type not specified

Yes

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Neither Type of Provider Permitted

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Goal 1. End poverty in all its forms everywhere

1.1.1 Proportion of population below the international poverty line, by sex, age, employment status and geographical location (urban/rural)

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Goal 3. Ensure healthy lives and promote well-being for all at all ages

3.1.1 Maternal mortality ratio

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Goal 4. Ensure inclusive and equitable quality education and promote lifelong learning opportunities for all

4.1.1 Proportion of children and young people: (a) in grades 2/3; (b) at the end of primary; and (c) at the end of lower secondary achieving at least a minimum proficiency level in (i) reading and (ii) mathematics, by sex

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Goal 5. Achieve gender equality and empower all women and girls

5.1.1 Whether or not legal frameworks are in place to promote, enforce and monitor equality and nondiscrimination on the basis of sex

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5.2.1 Proportion of ever-partnered women and girls aged 15 years and older subjected to physical, sexual or psychological violence by a current or former intimate partner in the previous 12 months, by form of violence and by age

5.2.2 Proportion of women and girls aged 15 years and older subjected to sexual violence by persons other than an intimate partner in the previous 12 months, by age and place of occurrence

5.3.1 Proportion of women aged 20-24 years who were married or in a union before age 15 and before age 18

5.3.2 Proportion of girls and women aged 15-49 years who have undergone female genital mutilation/cutting, by age

5.6.1 Proportion of women aged 15-49 years who make their own informed decisions regarding sexual relations, contraceptive use and reproductive health care

5.6.2 Number of countries with laws and regulations that guarantee women aged 15-49 years access to sexual and reproductive health care, information and education

5.a.1 (a) Proportion of total agricultural population with ownership or secure rights over agricultural land, by sex; and (b) share of women among owners or rights-bearers of agricultural land, by type of tenure

5.b.1 Proportion of individuals who own a mobile telephone, by sex

Goal 8. Promote sustained, inclusive and sustainable economic growth, full and productive employment and decent work for all

8.5.2 Unemployment rate, by sex, age and persons with disabilities

Goal 10. Reduce inequality within and among countries

10.2.1 Proportion of people living below 50 per cent of median income, by age, sex and persons with disabilities

10.3.1 Proportion of the population reporting having personally felt discriminated against or harassed within the previous 12 months on the basis of a ground of discrimination prohibited under international human rights law

Goal 16. Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

16.1.3 Proportion of population subjected to physical, psychological or sexual violence in the previous 12 months

16.2.2 Number of victims of human trafficking per 100,000 population, by sex, age and form of exploitation

16.2.3 Proportion of young women and men aged 18-29 years who experienced sexual violence by age 18

16.3.1 Proportion of victims of violence in the previous 12 months who reported their victimization to competent authorities or other officially recognized conflict resolution mechanisms
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<td>Percentage of secondary school completion rate for girls</td>
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<td>Percentage of women in non-agricultural employment</td>
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<td>Proportion of seats in parliament held by women</td>
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<td>Sex ratio at birth (male to female births)</td>
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