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An Overview of Prostitution and Solicitation Laws in Nevada



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NEVADA COUNTY LAWS ON PROSTITUTION

As of 2021: According to the Nevada state law it is unlawful for any person to engage in prostitution or solicitation except in a licensed house of prostitution [[NRS 201.354](#)]. Brothels are not permitted in a county whose population is 700,000 or more [[NRS 244.345](#)]. The wear and use of condoms is mandatory [[NAC 441A.805](#)] and be tested weekly for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and monthly for HIV [[NAC 441A.800](#)]. [Complete List of Cities Categorized by County](#)

County </> 700,00	Legal Status	Largest City	Citation
Carson City >700,000	Illegal	Carson City	County Code, Title 8, Chapter 8.04.110. Prostitution and related offenses.
Churchill County >700,000	Legal	Fallon City	County Code, Title 5, Chapter 5.20. Prostitution.
Clark County <700,000	Illegal	Las Vegas	County Code, Title 12, Chapter 12.08.15. Prostitution unlawful.
Douglas County >700,000	Illegal	Gardnerville Ranchos	County Code, Title 9, Chapter 9.20. Solicitation for Prostitution and Prostitution Offenses.
Elko County >700,000	Legal*	Elko	County Code, Title 7, Chapter 1.6. Prostitution.
Esmeralda County >700,000	Legal	Goldfield	Ordinance 154
Eureka County >700,000	Illegal	Eureka	County Code, Title 6, Chapter 60.01. Prostitution prohibited-Generally.
Humboldt County >700,000	Legal*	Winnemucca	County Code, Title 5, Chapter 5.08.020. Applicability.
Lander County >700,000	Legal	Battle Mountain	County Code, Title 5, Chapter 5.16. Prostitution.
Lincoln County >700,000	Illegal	Calientes	County Code, Title 7, Chapter 2-1. Prostitution prohibited.

Lyon County >700,000	Legal	Fernley	County Code, Title 5, Chapter 3.04. Prostitution permitted; Compliance with provisions.
Mineral County >700,000	Legal	Hawthorne	County Code, Title 5, Chapter 5.12.010. Findings.
Nye County >700,000	Legal	Pahrump	County Code, Title 9, Chapter 9.20.010. Adoption.
Pershing County >700,000	Illegal	Lovelock	County Code, Title 9, Chapter 9.08.020. Prostitution.
Storey County >700,000	Legal	Virginia City	County Code, Title 5, Chapter 5.16.030. Prostitution permitted.
Washoe County >700,000	Illegal	Reno	County Code, Chapter 50.238. Prostitution and pandering. , 53.170. Disorderly conduct. , & Chapter 25. Adult characterized businesses.
White Pine County >700,000	Legal*	Ely	County Code, Title 10, Chapter 10.36.010. Prohibited. & Title 17, Chapter 17.60.020. Uses.

*Applies only to incorporated areas of the county

DIFFERENTIATION IN DEFINITION AND IN PENALTY

State	Prostituted Person	Sex Buyer	Citation
<p>Nevada</p> <p>→ Consequences for Sex Buyers</p> <p>Prostitution is legal in 10 counties in Nevada. Click here for more information.</p>	<p>N.R.S. 201.354. Engaging in prostitution or solicitation for prostitution: Penalty; exception.</p> <p>Misdemeanor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> up to six months and/or up to \$1,000 and/or community service of up to 200 hours 	<p>N.R.S. 201.354.1 Engaging in prostitution or solicitation for prostitution: Penalty; exception.</p> <p>Misdemeanor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1st offense: up to six months in a county jail and/or by a fine of not less than \$400 and/or community service of up to 200 hours <p>Gross Misdemeanor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2nd offense: up to 364 days in a county jail and/or a not less than \$800 <p>Gross Misdemeanor</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3rd offense: up to 364 days in a county jail and/or a fine of not less than \$1,300 	<p>201.354</p> <p>Nevada Revised Statutes, 2021</p>

STATES WITH CONSEQUENCES FOR SEX BUYERS

State	Consequence	Law
Nevada	Fines	<p>201.354.(4). Engaging in prostitution or solicitation for prostitution: Provision of certain information; criminal penalties; civil penalty; discharge and dismissal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4.373.(3). Suspension of sentence; conditions of suspension; reduction of sentence; arrest for violation of condition of suspension. 5.055.(3). Suspension of sentence; conditions of suspension; reduction of sentence; arrest for violation of condition of suspension.
	John School	<p>201.354.(7). Engaging in prostitution or solicitation for prostitution: Provision of certain information; criminal penalties; civil penalty; discharge and dismissal.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4.373.(3). Suspension of sentence; conditions of suspension; reduction of sentence; arrest for violation of condition of suspension. 5.055.(3). Suspension of sentence; conditions of suspension; reduction of sentence; arrest for violation of condition of suspension.