

Trigger offences for assessment of 'risk to children'*

Offence	Section	Act	Offence	Section	Act
Abandonment of children under two	Section 27	Offences Against the Person Act 1861	Incest by a woman	Section 11	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Abduction of a woman by force or for the sake of her property	Section 17	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Inciting a child family member to engage in sexual activity	Section 26	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Abduction of child in care/police protection; take away/induce away/assist to run away/keep away	Section 49	Children Act 1989	Inciting girl under 16 to have incestuous sexual intercourse	Section 54	Criminal Law Act 1977
Abduction of defective from parent or guardian	Section 21	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Indecency between men (gross indecency)	Section 13	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Abduction of unmarried girl under 16 from parent or guardian	Section 20	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Indecent assault on a man	Section 15	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Abduction of unmarried girl under 18 from parent or guardian	Section 19	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Indecent assault on a woman	Section 14	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Abuse of position of trust: causing a child to watch a sexual act	Section 19	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Indecent conduct towards young child	Section 1	Indecency with Children Act 1960
Abuse of position of trust: causing or inciting a child to engage in sexual activity	Section 17	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Indecent exposure	Section 28	Town Police Clauses Act 1847
Abuse of position of trust: sexual activity in the presence of a child	Section 18	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Indecent exposure	Section 4	Vagrancy Act 1824
Abuse of position of trust: sexual activity with a child	Section 16	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Indecent photographs of children	Section 1	Protection of Children Act 1978
Abuse of trust	Section 3	Sexual Offences (Amendment) Act 2000	Inducement, threat or deception to procure sexual activity with a person with a mental disorder	Section 34	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Administering a substance with intent	Section 61	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Infanticide		Common Law
Administering drugs to obtain or facilitate intercourse	Section 4	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Infanticide	Section 1	Infanticide Act 1938
Administering poison, or wounding, with intent to murder	Section 11	Offences Against the Person Act 1861	Intercourse with a girl under 13	Section 5	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Aiding, abetting, counselling or procuring the suicide of a child or young person	Section 2	Suicide Act 1961	Intercourse with a girl under 16	Section 6	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Allowing persons under 16 to be in brothels	Section 3	Children and Young Persons Act 1933	Intercourse with defective	Section 7	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Arranging or facilitating child prostitution or pornography	Section 50	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Kidnapping		Common Law
Arranging or facilitating commission of a child sex offence	Section 14	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Living on earnings of male prostitution	Section 5	Sexual Offences Act 1967
Assault by penetration	Section 2	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Maliciously administering poison	Section 23	Offences Against the Person Act 1861
Assault occasioning actual bodily harm	Section 47	Offences Against the Person Act 1861	Man living on earnings of prostitution	Section 30	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Assault of a child under 13 by penetration	Section 6	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Manslaughter		Common Law
Assault or battery		Common Law	Meeting a child following sexual grooming, etc	Section 15	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Assault with intent to commit buggery	Section 16	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Murder		Common Law
Buggery where the victim is under 16	Section 12	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Offence of abduction of a child by parent	Section 1	Child Abduction Act 1984
Burglary (by entering a building or part of a building with intent to rape a child)	Section 9	Theft Act 1968	Offence of abduction of child by other persons	Section 2	Child Abduction Act 1984
Care workers: causing a person with a mental disorder to watch a sexual act	Section 41	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Paying for the sexual services of a child	Section 47	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Care workers: causing or inciting sexual activity	Section 39	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Permitting a girl between 13 and 16 to use premises for intercourse	Section 26	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Care workers: sexual activity in the presence of a person with a mental disorder	Section 40	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Permitting a girl under 13 to use premises for intercourse	Section 25	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Care workers: sexual activity with a person with a mental disorder	Section 38	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Permitting defective to use premises for intercourse	Section 27	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Causing a child to watch a sexual act	Section 12	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Possession of indecent photographs of children	Section 160	Criminal Justice Act 1988
Causing a person to engage in sexual activity without consent	Section 4	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Procurator of girl under 21	Section 23	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Causing a person with a mental disorder to engage in or agree to engage in sexual activity by inducement, threat or deception	Section 35	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Procurement of a woman by false pretences	Section 3	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Causing a person with a mental disorder to watch a sexual act by inducement, threat or deception	Section 37	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Procurement of a woman by threats	Section 2	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Causing a person, with a mental disorder impeding choice, to watch a sexual act	Section 33	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Procurement of defective	Section 9	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Causing or allowing persons under 16 to be used for begging	Section 4	Children and Young Persons Act 1933	Procuring others to commit homosexual acts (by procuring a child to commit an act of buggery with any person, or procuring any person to commit an act of buggery with a child)	Section 4	Sexual Offences Act 1967
Causing or allowing the death of a child or vulnerable adult	Section 5	Domestic Violence, Crime and Victims Act 2004	Prohibition against persons under 16 taking part in performances endangering life and limb	Section 23	Children and Young Persons Act 1933
Causing or encouraging prostitution of defective	Section 29	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Rape	Section 1	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Causing or encouraging prostitution of, or intercourse with, or indecent assault on, girl under 16	Section 28	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Rape	Section 1	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Causing or inciting a child to engage in sexual activity	Section 10	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Rape of a child under 13	Section 5	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Causing or inciting a child under 13 to engage in sexual activity	Section 8	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Recovery of missing or unlawfully held children	Section 50	Children Act 1989
Causing or inciting a person, with a mental disorder impeding choice, to engage in sexual activity	Section 31	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Sexual activity with a child	Section 9	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Causing or inciting child prostitution or pornography	Section 48	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Sexual activity with a child family member	Section 25	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Causing or inciting prostitution for gain	Section 52	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Sexual activity with a person with a mental disorder impeding choice	Section 30	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Causing prostitution of women	Section 22	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Sexual assault	Section 3	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Child sex offences committed by children or young persons	Section 13	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Sexual assault of a child under 13	Section 7	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Child stealing	Section 56	Offences Against the Person Act 1861	Sexual intercourse with patients	Section 128	Mental Health Act 1959
Committing an offence with intent to commit a sexual offence (in a case where the intended offence was an offence against a child)	Section 62	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Supplying or offering to supply a Class A drug to a child, being concerned in the supplying of such a drug to a child, or being concerned in the making to a child of an offer to supply such a drug	Section 4	Misuse of Drugs Act 1971
Conspiring or soliciting to commit murder	Section 4	Offences Against the Person Act 1861	Threats to kill	Section 16	Offences Against the Person Act 1861
Controlling a child prostitute or a child involved in pornography	Section 49	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Traffic in prostitution	Section 145	Nationality, Immigration and Asylum Act 2002
Controlling prostitution for gain	Section 53	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Trafficking into the UK for sexual exploitation	Section 57	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Cruelty to children	Section 1	Children and Young Persons Act 1933	Trafficking out of the UK for sexual exploitation	Section 59	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Detention of a woman in a brothel or other premises	Section 24	Sexual Offences Act 1956	Trafficking people for exploitation	Section 4	Asylum and Immigration (Treatment of Claimants, etc) 2004
Drunk in charge of a child under seven years	Section 2	Licensing Act 1902	Trafficking within the UK for sexual exploitation	Section 58	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Engaging in sexual activity in the presence of a child	Section 11	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Trespass with intent to commit a sexual offence (in a case where the intended offence was an offence against a child)	Section 63	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Engaging in sexual activity in the presence of a person with a mental disorder impeding choice	Section 32	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Voyeurism	Section 67	Sexual Offences Act 2003
Engaging in sexual activity in the presence, procured by inducement, threat or deception, of a person with a mental disorder	Section 36	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Women exercising control over prostitute	Section 31	Sexual Offences Act 1956
Exposing children under seven to risk of burning	Section 11	Children and Young Persons Act 1933	Wounding and causing grievous bodily harm: inflicting bodily injury	Section 20	Offences Against the Person Act 1861
Exposure	Section 66	Sexual Offences Act 2003	Wounding and causing grievous bodily harm: wounding with intent	Section 18	Offences Against the Person Act 1861
False imprisonment		Common Law			
Give/cause to be given intoxicating liquor to a child under five years	Section 5	Children and Young Persons Act 1933			
Incest by a man	Section 10	Sexual Offences Act 1956			

The following can be included in relation to any offence in this list: an attempt, conspiracy or incitement to commit that offence; and aiding, abetting, counselling or procuring the commission of that offence.

Unless stated otherwise, the victim of the offences listed above will be under 18 years of age. Cautions for the offences listed above will apply.

*At present, these offences do not carry statutory weight. Note this list does not include all relevant offences and is to be used as a guide only.