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**LEGISLATION**

Law on termination of pregnancy 3 April 1990  
National Evaluation Committee (Law of 13 August 1990)  
Law on voluntary termination of pregnancy of 15 August 2018

**GROUNDS/GESTATIONAL LIMITS**

Abortion is now decriminalized and legal.

**Up to 12 weeks after conception (or 14 weeks after Last Menstrual Period):**  
- this can be prolonged as long as the first counselling was before 12 weeks  
- No more ‘state of emergency’

**No limit:**  
- ‘Serious’ risk to health of woman  
- ‘Extremely serious and incurable disease’ of fetus

**REGULATIONS/CONDITIONS**

- Consultation in an abortion center  
- Compulsory waiting period (6 days)  
- Compulsory counselling on alternatives to abortion (adoption, keeping the baby) and on anticonception, in the same abortion center  
- No Parental consent needed for minors  
- The opinion of a 2nd doctor is requested in case of ‘serious’ risks to health of the woman or if the fetus is judged to be suffering from an ‘extremely serious or incurable disease’

**COST**

Since 2002, abortion is reimbursed if performed in an abortion clinic that has signed an agreement with the national institute for social security (INAMI/RIZIV) and if the woman is affiliated to social security. The contribution women have to pay is very limited (€ 3,7 or US$ 4). Foreign women have easy access but have to pay the full price +/- 450€

**COMMENTS**

Most abortions are performed in abortion clinics (non-profit organisations)

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