

Niue

No Assessment

Prevalence and Sectoral Distribution of the Worst Forms of Child Labor

There is no evidence that children in Niue are engaged in the worst forms of child labor.

Laws and Regulations on the Worst Forms of Child Labor

Information on laws on minimum employment age, forced labor, the use of children for illicit activities and on laws against commercial sexual exploitation of children was not identified. No information was found on whether the Government has developed a list of hazardous occupations prohibited to children.

Trafficking in persons is a specific offense in Niue.(1) No information was found on whether laws exist regarding the use of children for drug trafficking or other illicit activities. There is no military in Niue, as defense is the responsibility of New Zealand.(2)

Education in Niue is compulsory to age 16.(3) Research did not find complete information on whether education is free.

Institutional Mechanisms for Coordination and Enforcement

As there is no evidence of a problem, there appears to be no need for a coordinating mechanism to address the worst forms of child labor.

Government Policies on the Worst Forms of Child Labor

As there is no evidence of a problem, there appears to be no need for policies to address the worst forms of child labor.

Social Programs to Eliminate or Prevent the Worst Forms of Child Labor

As there is no evidence of a problem, there appears to be no need for programs to address the worst forms of child labor.

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Norfolk Island

In 2011, Norfolk Island made no advancement in efforts to prevent the worst forms of child labor. While there is no evidence of a problem, the Government lacks a complete preventive legal framework. Norfolk Island has no legislation prescribing a minimum age for employment and prohibiting hazardous work for children.

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There is no evidence that children on Norfolk Island are engaged in the worst forms of child labor.(1)

Laws and Regulations on the Worst Forms of Child Labor

There is no minimum age for employment on Norfolk Island. Children younger than age 15, however, are subject to limitations under the Norfolk Island Employment Act of 1988.(1) Children younger than age 15 may not work more than 20 hours a week, at night or during school hours.(2) Parental consent and written agreement is required to employ persons younger than age 18.(2) Information is limited, but it does not appear that Norfolk Island has restrictions on hazardous child labor. However, the employer has a duty to provide a safe working environment and, without any charge, the required safety equipment and clothing.(1) No information was found on whether the Government has developed a list of hazardous occupations prohibited to children.

Australia's Commonwealth Criminal Code Act 1995, which applies to Norfolk Island, criminalizes all forms of slavery and forced labor, trafficking in children, forced prostitution and child pornography. The Norfolk Island Criminal Code Act 2007 prohibits sexual servitude, child pornography and the provision of a controlled substance to children for sale or distribution.(2, 3) The Criminal Law Amendment Act of 1993 makes it illegal to employ a person younger than age 16 for the purposes of prostitution.(2)

Defense of Norfolk Island is the responsibility of the Australian Defense Force, which has a voluntary recruitment age of 17 and a minimum combat age of 18.(4-6)

Public education is free.(7) The Norfolk Island Education Act makes education compulsory to age 15.(1)

NON-INDEPENDENT COUNTRIES AND TERRITORIES – LAWS AND RATIFICATIONS

		Niue	Norfolk Island	St. Helena, Ascension, and Tristan da Cunha	Tokelau	Turks and Caicos	Wallis and Futuna	West Bank	Western Sahara
	C138, Minimum Age	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	C182, Worst Forms of Child Labor	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC)	X	N/A	X	N/A	X	N/A	N/A	N/A
	CRC Optional Protocol on Armed Conflict	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	CRC Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Palermo Protocol on Trafficking in Persons	No	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
	Minimum Age for Work	Unclear	None	Unclear	Unclear	16	16	15	15
	Minimum Age for Hazardous Work	Unclear	None	Unclear	Unclear	None	18	18	18
	Compulsory Education Age	16	15	15, 16, 15	16	16	16	15	15
	Free Public Education	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes