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[Morocco: new violence against women law](#) [1], 26/02/2018,

Notes a new Moroccan law - Law 103.13 on the elimination of violence against women - that criminalises violence against women. The law was approved by Parliament on 14th February 2018 and entered into force in September 2018 and punishes various types of violence committed both in the private and public spheres, including rape, sexual harassment and domestic abuse. However, it was criticized for not outlawing marital rape or spousal violence, and failing to provide a precise definition of domestic violence.

See also <https://www.aljazeera.com/news/2018/09/morocco-violence-women-law-effect-180912061837132.html> [2] and <https://www.globalcitizen.org/en/content/violence-against-women-morocco-girls/> [3]

Brémon, Anaïs ; Baqué, Irene ; Hakimm, Sabrina ; Spera, Claudine ; Ford, Liz, [I will not keep silent: Khadija rape case spurs women into action in Morocco - video](#) [4], The Guardian, 26/11/2018,

After the kidnapping and gang rape of a 17-year old young woman called Khadija by 12 men, public outrage in Morocco led women and men to organize a campaign combating violence against women. '#Masaktach' (She was not silent) first took to the streets of Casablanca, Morocco's largest city, with early members carrying whistles, which they handed out to women as a defense against sexual harassment. Khadija was held for two months, during which time she was starved, drugged, beaten, gang-raped, tortured, tattooed with swastikas, and burned with cigarettes.

See also <https://insidearabia.com/masaktach-a-movement-against-sexual-harassment-in-morocco/> [5] and <https://www.azeemamag.com/stories/masaktach> [6]

Chafai, Habiba, [Contextualising street sexual harassment in Morocco: a discriminatory sociocultural representation of women](#) [7], The Journal of North African Studies, Vol. 22, issue 5, 2017, pp. 821-840

This study seeks to reveal the relationship between the stereotypical images of Moroccan girls and women and the violence that is often committed against them. It suggests that women's location in the power structures of the family, school, media and the law, as well as their unequal access to the economic and political spheres, all contribute to fostering violent attitudes and practices against women in the public arena. The evolution of the status of women requires changes in their freedom-of-movement, security and emancipation. Future research should address women's discourse and experiences of street harassment as well as its social meaning, prevalence, severity and impact.

ICJ, [Obstacles To Women's And Girls' Access To Justice for Gender-Based Violence In Morocco](#) [8], Geneva, International commission of Jurists , 2019, pp. 53

The ICJ's report explores the various obstacles that women seeking justice in Morocco face, and addresses recommendations to the Moroccan government and judiciary with a view to improving access to justice and effective remedies for women and girls who are victims of sexual and gender-based violence (SGBV).

See also <https://www.moroccoworldnews.com/2019/03/267531/womens-day-change-morocco/> [9] and <https://www.moroccoworldnews.com/2019/03/267573/protests-rabat-international-women-day/> [10]



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