

WALLIS AND FUTUNA

NO ASSESSMENT

For the 2017 reporting period, no assessment has been made regarding Wallis and Futuna's efforts to advance the elimination of the worst forms of child labor because there is no evidence of a worst forms of child labor problem and the country has a good legal and enforcement framework on child labor.




I. PREVALENCE AND SECTORAL DISTRIBUTION OF CHILD LABOR

Research found no evidence that child labor exists in Wallis and Futuna. Wallis and Futuna has a population of 12,200 inhabitants, including 3,420 children. (1; 2)

II. LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR CHILD LABOR

Wallis and Futuna is considered a French Overseas Collectivity and therefore Wallis and Futuna cannot ratify international conventions; however, France's ratification of such conventions applies to Wallis and Futuna. (3) France has ratified all key international conventions concerning child labor (Table 1).

Table 1. Ratification of International Conventions on Child Labor

Convention	Ratification
 ILO C. 138, Minimum Age	✓
ILO C. 182, Worst Forms of Child Labor	✓
 UN CRC	✓
UN CRC Optional Protocol on Armed Conflict	✓
UN CRC Optional Protocol on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography	✓
 Palermo Protocol on Trafficking in Persons	✓

French law applies in Wallis and Futuna. (1; 4) The Government of France has established laws and regulations, which are in line with relevant international standards (Table 2).

Table 2. Laws and Regulations on Child Labor

Standard	Meets International Standards: Yes/No	Age	Legislation
Minimum Age for Work	Yes	16	Article 118 of the Labor Code of Wallis and Futuna (5)
Minimum Age for Hazardous Work	Yes	18	Article 115 of the Labor Code of Wallis and Futuna (5)
Identification of Hazardous Occupations or Activities Prohibited for Children	Yes		Articles R234-6 of the Labor Code; Decree No. 2013-915, Relative to Work That is Prohibited and Regulated for Young People Less Than 18 Years (6; 7)
Prohibition of Forced Labor	Yes		Articles 212-1, 224-1, 225-4-1, 225-14-1, 225-14-2, and 711-1 of the Penal Code; Article 2 of the Labor Code of Wallis and Futuna (5; 8)
Prohibition of Child Trafficking	Yes		Articles 225-4-1 to 225-4-9 and 711-1 of the Penal Code (8)
Prohibition of Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children	Yes		Articles 225-5 to 12 and 711-1 of the Penal Code (8)
Prohibition of Using Children in Illicit Activities	Yes		Articles 222-35, 227-15 to 227-28-3, and 711-1 of the Penal Code (8)
Prohibition of Military Recruitment			
State Compulsory	N/A*		
State Voluntary	N/A		
Non-state	Yes		Articles 461-7 of the Penal Code (8)

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Table 2. Laws and Regulations on Child Labor (cont)

Standard	Meets International Standards: Yes/No	Age	Legislation
Compulsory Education Age	Yes	16	Articles L131-1 and L161-1 of the Education Code of France (9)
Free Public Education	Yes		Articles L132-1, L132-2, and L161-1 of the Education Code of France (9)

* No conscription (10)

III. ENFORCEMENT OF LAWS ON CHILD LABOR

Even with no evidence of a problem, the Government of France has established institutional mechanisms for the enforcement of laws and regulations on child labor (Table 3).

Table 3. Agencies Responsible for Child Labor Law Enforcement

Organization/Agency	Role
Service of Labor and Social Affairs Inspection of Wallis and Futuna	Enforce labor laws and report violations involving children to local social assistance personnel. (1; 2; 11) There were three labor inspectors in 2017. (11)
Defender of Rights	Promote children's rights, including through the prohibition of child labor. (12)
French National Police	Oversee the health and safety of children. (1)

As there is no evidence of a problem, there appears to be no need for enforcement actions to address child labor.

IV. COORDINATION OF GOVERNMENT EFFORTS ON CHILD LABOR

As there is no evidence of a problem, there appears to be no need for mechanisms to coordinate efforts to address child labor.

V. GOVERNMENT POLICIES ON CHILD LABOR

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

VI. SOCIAL PROGRAMS TO ADDRESS CHILD LABOR

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

VII. SUGGESTED GOVERNMENT ACTIONS TO PREVENT CHILD LABOR

Based on the reporting above, there are no actions needed to advance the continued prevention of child labor in Wallis and Futuna.

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