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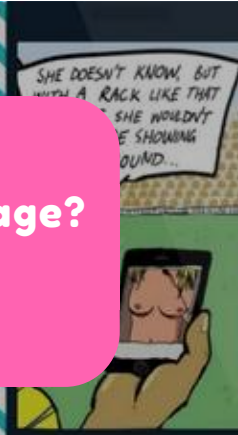
Learn about the new laws in the ACT that make it a crime to share intimate images of a person without their consent.

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What's the law?

On Wednesday 16 August, important new laws were passed in the ACT that make it clear that it is a crime to share intimate images of a person without their consent.

These are the things that are now crimes, attracting jail time or heavy fines if a person is convicted:

- Distributing or sharing an intimate image without consent (either knowingly, or because of recklessness about whether the person in the image consented)
>up to 3 years in jail or \$45,000 fine.

- Threatening to take an intimate image without consent, or distribute or share without consent
>up to 3 years in jail or \$45,000 fine.

Where the offence relates to a person under 16 years old, the sentence is much higher as this is classified as "child pornography".

The new laws also include the ability for the court to order images to be taken down or destroyed, with penalties of up to 2 years in jail or a \$30,000 fine for failure to comply with the court order.



What's an intimate image?

An intimate image is an image of a person's private parts (including breasts for someone who is female, or transgender or intersex and identifies as female), whether naked or covered by underwear. Intimate images also include a person engaged in a private act, such as undressing, using the toilet or showering, or engaging in sexual activity that would not normally be done in public. It also includes an image that has been altered so that it looks like you can see a person's private parts, or looks like the person is engaging in a private act.



Is it illegal to send an intimate image?

No! It's not illegal to consensually send an image, but here are the guidelines:

- You can share if you're adults (over 18 years old) consenting to share images with each other,

- If you're both 15 years old and consenting to share images with each other, it's OK.

- If you are aged 14 or over and share your own image with another person within 2 years of your own age, and they consent to sharing their own image, that is okay.

YOU CAN NOT SHARE THEIR IMAGE WITHOUT THEIR CONSENT!

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