



Name of Country and Jurisdiction:

Namibia



What forms of legally recognized relationships are available?



LEGAL RECOGNITIONS FOR OPPOSITE-SEX COUPLE	GEOGRAPHY	LAW	AVAILABLE TO SAME-SEX COUPLE?
Marriage, civil, registered	Namibia	Marriage Act 25 (1961). Births, Marriages and Deaths Registration Act 81 (1963).	No
Marriage, customary, not registered	Namibia, with respect to each community's culture and customs	Dependent on the community's customs under which the marriage takes place.	No

Sources:

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- Divorce Law Reform, *available at* <http://www.lac.org.na/projects/grap/Pdf/divlawref2.pdf>.