



Name of Country and Jurisdiction:

**Chad**



**What forms of legally recognized relationships are available?**



LEGAL RECOGNITION FOR OPPOSITE-SEX COUPLE	GEOGRAPHY	LAW	AVAILABLE TO SAME-SEX COUPLE?
Marriage, registered	Chad	No family code; marriage is governed by customary law but can be notarized.	No
Forthcoming changes	The government continues to work on the 1999 <i>Code des personnes et de la famille</i> , which is intended to replace the Civil Code. It is unclear whether the new family code will recognize same-sex marriages.		

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