



Name of Country and Jurisdiction:

## The Gambia



What forms of legally recognized relationships are available?



LEGAL RECOGNITIONS FOR OPPOSITE-SEX COUPLE	GEOGRAPHY	LAW	AVAILABLE TO SAME-SEX COUPLE?
Christian marriage	The Gambia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Christian Marriage Act (Act No. 9/1862), amended by Act No. 23/1957 (Gam.).</li> </ul>	No
Civil marriage	The Gambia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Civil Marriage Act (Act No. 20/1938), amended by LN 3/2008 (Gam.).</li> <li>Constitution 1997, § 27 (Gam.).</li> </ul>	No
Mohammedan marriage	The Gambia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Muslim Marriage and Divorce Act (Act No. 1/1941) (Gam.).</li> </ul>	No
Customary marriage/ Shari'a law	The Gambia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Constitution 1997, §§ 7(f), 27 (Gam.).</li> </ul>	No

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