



Name of Country and Jurisdiction:

**Lithuania**



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



LEGAL RECOGNITION FOR OPPOSITE-SEX COUPLE	GEOGRAPHY	LAW	AVAILABLE TO SAME-SEX COUPLE?
Marriage, registered	Lithuania	<p>The Civil Code of the Republic of Lithuania, Art. 3.7, defines the “[c]oncept of marriage” as “a voluntary agreement between a man and a woman.”</p> <p>The Civil Code of the Republic of Lithuania, Art. 3.12, titled “Prohibiting marriage of persons of the same gender,” states: “Marriage may be contracted only with a person of the opposite gender.”</p> <p>The Constitution of the Republic of Lithuania, Art. 38, states: “Marriage shall be concluded upon the free mutual consent of man and woman.”</p>	No
Cohabitation, registered	Lithuania	<p>The Civil Code of the Republic of Lithuania, Art. 3.229, states that “relations in property of a man and a woman” may be regulated if they have been “cohabiting at least for a year with the aim of creating family relations” following the registration of their partnership.</p>	No

**Sources:**

- Civil Code of the Republic of Lithuania, of July 18, 2000 (last amended April 12, 2011), available at [http://www.wipo.int/wipolex/en/text.jsp?file\\_id=202088#LinkTarget\\_\\_22561](http://www.wipo.int/wipolex/en/text.jsp?file_id=202088#LinkTarget__22561).
- Constitution of the Republic of Lithuania, Art. 38, available at [https://www.constituteproject.org/constitution/Lithuania\\_2006.pdf](https://www.constituteproject.org/constitution/Lithuania_2006.pdf).