

**709.8 Lascivious acts with a child.**

1. It is unlawful for any person sixteen years of age or older to perform any of the following acts with a child with or without the child’s consent unless married to each other, for the purpose of arousing or satisfying the sexual desires of either of them:

- a. Fondle or touch the pubes or genitals of a child.
- b. Permit or cause a child to fondle or touch the person’s genitals or pubes.
- c. Cause the touching of the person’s genitals to any part of the body of a child.
- d. Solicit a child to engage in a sex act or solicit a person to arrange a sex act with a child.
- e. Inflict pain or discomfort upon a child or permit a child to inflict pain or discomfort on the person.

2. a. Any person who violates a provision of [this section](#) involving an act included in [subsection 1](#), paragraph “a” through “c”, shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a class “C” felony.

b. Any person who violates a provision of [this section](#) involving an act included in [subsection 1](#), paragraph “d” or “e”, shall, upon conviction, be guilty of a class “D” felony.

[S13, §4938-a; C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, §13184; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, 71, 73, §725.2; C75, 77, §725.10; C79, 81, §709.8]

[85 Acts, ch 181, §1](#); [96 Acts, ch 1062, §1](#); [2000 Acts, ch 1165, §1](#); [2005 Acts, ch 158, §35](#); [2013 Acts, ch 30, §202](#); [2013 Acts, ch 43, §2, 3](#)

Referred to in [§321.375](#), [692A.101](#), [692A.102](#), [692A.121](#), [709.12](#), [709.19](#), [802.2B](#), [902.14](#), [903B.10](#), [906.15](#), [907.3](#)

Definition of sex act, [§702.17](#)

Sentencing restrictions for forcible felonies and mandatory reporters of child abuse, see [§907.3](#)