

**TABLE 2. Minimum ages for marriage and age of sexual consent in selected Sub-Saharan African countries, by sex, 2009**

Country	Minimum age for marriage		Minimum age for marriage with parental consent		Age of sexual consent	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
<b>Countries with consistent laws</b>						
Burundi	21	21	u	18	18	18
Uganda	21	21	18	18	18	18
Ethiopia	18	18	u	u	18	18
Rwanda	21	21	u	u	18	18
<b>Countries with inconsistent laws</b>						
Burkina Faso	20	20	u	17	13	13
Cameroon	Unclear	Unclear	18	15	16	16
Gabon	21	21	18	15	18	18
Malawi	18	18	15	15	13	13
Mozambique	18	18	16	16	u	u
Senegal	18	18	u	16	16	16
Tanzania	18	18	u	15	18	18
Zimbabwe	18	18	u	16	16	16

Notes: Ages are listed as unclear if the age is uncertain because of contradictions in the laws, and as unavailable if legislation has not indicated a specific age.

u=unavailable. Sources: Child marriage—reference 34. Age of consent—reference 35.