

Country File

BOTSWANA



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Region	Africa
Legal system	Civil Law/Common Law
UNCAT Ratification/ Accession (a)/ Succession (d)	8 September 2000
Relevant Laws	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Constitution of 30 September 1966
Relevant Articles	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Prohibition of Torture: Article 7 of the Constitution• Definition of Torture:• Penalties:• Others:<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Lawful Sanctions: Article 7 of the Constitution
Languages Available	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• English (official language)
Other Relevant Information	

Relevant Articles – BOTSWANA

ENGLISH

Constitution of 30 September 1966

Article 7 Protection from inhuman treatment

1. No person shall be subjected to torture or to inhuman or degrading punishment or other treatment.
2. Nothing contained in or done under the authority of any law shall be held to be inconsistent with or in contravention of this section to the extent that the law in question authorizes the infliction of any description of punishment that was lawful in the country immediately before the coming into operation of this Constitution.