

Responsibility for illegal trafficking of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances, their analogues and precursors



In the Republic of Belarus liability for the illegal use and trafficking of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances, their analogues and precursors is provided for by the Code of Administrative Offenses and the Criminal Code of the Republic of Belarus.



Criminal Code of the Republic of Belarus

Article 327.

Theft of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances or their precursors or analogues is punished with imprisonment for up to five years.



Notes:

1. In the articles of this Code narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances and their precursors mean drugs and substances, as well as preparations containing them included in the Republican List of Narcotic Drugs, Psychotropic Substances and their Precursors, subject to state control in the Republic of Belarus, with the exception of those listed in the table 2 “Chemical substances that can be used in the process of manufacturing, production and processing of narcotic drugs or psychotropic substances”.(Law of the Republic of Belarus dated July 13, 2012 N 408-3)

2. In the articles of this Code, especially dangerous narcotic drugs or psychotropic substances mean drugs or substances included in the list of especially dangerous narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances not used for medical purposes, or the list of especially dangerous narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances permitted for controlled circulation, specified List.

3. In the articles of this Code, analogues of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances mean chemical substances which structural formulas are formed by replacing one or more hydrogen atoms in the structural formulas of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances or basic structures with substituents of hydrogen atoms included in the list of substituents of hydrogen atoms in structural formulas narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances or basic structures, established by the State Forensic Examinations Committee of the Republic of Belarus.

Article 328. Illegal manufacture, processing, purchase, storage, sending or transportation of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances or their precursors or analogues for the purpose of sale or their illegal sale *are punished with imprisonment for a term of three to eight years with or without a fine.*

Article 328 -2. Consumption of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances or their analogues in a public place or appearing in a public place or being at work in a state caused by the consumption of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances, their analogues, toxic or other intoxicating substances *are punished with restriction of freedom for a term of up to five years or imprisonment for a term of two to five years.*

Article 329. Illegal planting and (or) cultivation of plants or mushrooms containing narcotic drugs or psychotropic substances ***is punished with imprisonment for a term of five to fifteen years with or without a fine.***

Article 330. Violation of the rules for handling narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances, their precursors and analogues ***is punished with a fine, or arrest, or restriction of freedom for up to five years, or imprisonment for the same period with or without deprivation of the right to hold certain positions or participate in certain activities.***

Article 331. Inducement to use narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances or their analogues *is punished with imprisonment for a term of three to ten years.*

Article 332. Providing premises, organizing or maintaining dens for the manufacture, processing and (or) consumption of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances, their analogues or other intoxicating substances *is punished with restriction of freedom for a term of two to five years with a fine or imprisonment for a term of three to seven years with a fine.*

Article 333. Illegal traffic of strong effective or toxic substances is punished with imprisonment for a term of two to ten years with or without a fine.

