

# When is a Mandated Reporter Required to Report Sexual Conduct of Minors?

Refer to the chart below to discern whether or not a minor partaking in *consensual* intercourse requires a report to Child Protective Services.

AGE OF PARTNER →	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21+
AGE OF CHILD ↓										
11	R*	R*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
12	R*	R*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
13	R*	R*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
14	Y	Y	R*	R*	R*	R*	R*	R*	Y	Y
15	Y	Y	R*	N	N	N	R*	R*	Y	Y
16	Y	Y	R*	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
17	Y	Y	R*	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
18	Y	Y	R*	R*	N	N	N	N	N	N

In the boxes marked with a “Y” you are required to report sexual conduct to Child Protective Services.

\*In the boxes marked with a “R\*” you are not required to report sexual conduct, but CAPC recommends reporters to report knowledge of sexual activity to Child Protective Services due to the minor’s lack of supervision and safety. Please take into consideration the circumstances surrounding the minor and their partner.

**Other Sexual Activity that must be reported:**

- Sexual intercourse or activity with a minor which is coerced, exploitative, or based on intimidation, regardless of claimed consent by the minor.
- Sexual activity involving a 14 or 15 year old when the partner is 10 or more years older and when a 13 year old or younger is sexually active with a partner who is 14 or older.

Source: Adapted from the “Understanding Confidentiality and Minor Consent in California Toolkit”, published by the Adolescent Health Working Group, 2003