flout Apresyan (En-Ru)

- **1**. [flavt] *n*
 - 1. насмешка, издевательство
 - 2. пренебрежение
- 2. [flavt] v
 - 1. насмехаться, издеваться

they flouted at him - он был предметом насмешек

2. относиться с пренебрежением, выражать презрение

to flout smb.'s advice - пренебречь чьим-л. советом she flouted all my offers of help - она отвергла все мои предложения помочь ей you have flouted my orders - вы позволили себе не выполнить моё приказание

flout

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flout [flout flouts flouted flouting] BrE [flaut] * NAmE [flaut] * verb~ sth to show that you have no respect for a law, etc. by openly not obeying it

Syn: ↑defy

- · Motorists regularly flout the law .
- · to flout authority/convention

Verb forms: verb forms

| YELD TOTTIS | |
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| present simple | |
| 1 / you / we /they | flout |
| | BrE /flast/ |
| | NAmE /flast/ |
| he / she /it | flouts |
| | BrE /flacts/ |
| | NAmE /flacits/ |
| past simple, past participle | flouted |
| | BrE /flaotid/ |
| | NAmE /flastid/ |
| -ing form | flouting |
| | BrE /flastin/ |
| | NAmE /flastin/ |

Word Origin:

mid 16th cent.: perhaps from Dutch fluiten 'whistle, play the flute, hiss (in derision)'; German dialect pfeifen auf, literally 'pipe at', has a similar extended meaning.

Example Bank:

- Motorists regularly flout the law.
- She likes flouting convention and doing her own thing.

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flout | flout | flout | BrE | AmE | verb [transitive]

[Date: 1500-1600, Origin: Probably from flout 'to play the flute' (14-16 centuries)]

to deliberately disobey a law, rule etc, without trying to hide what you are doing:

Some companies flout the rules and employ children as young as seven.

deliberately/openly flout something

The union had openly flouted the law.

THESAURUS

- disobey to not obey a person, order, rule, or law: In the army, it is a crime to disobey a superior officer. | He had disobeyed the school rules.
- break a law/rule to not obey a law or rule: Anyone who breaks the law must expect to be punished.
- **defy** *formal* to deliberately refuse to obey a rule or law, or what someone in authority tells you to do: The police arrested the youth for defying a court order.
- flout /flaut/ formal to deliberately disobey a rule or law in a very public way: Timber companies are continuing to flout environmental laws.
- **violate** *formal* to disobey a law, or do something that is against an agreement or principle: Both countries have accused each other of violating the treaty. | Technically he had violated the law.
- **contravene** *formal* to be against a law, rule, or agreement, or to do something that is against a law, rule, or agreement: The British government's actions contravened the European Convention on Human Rights.

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