

illegal1. [ɪˈliːg(ə)] *n* **амер. редк.**

1. правонарушитель
2. тайный агент, шпион

2. [ɪˈliːg(ə)] *a*

незаконный, нелегальный, неправомерный, противозаконный, противоправный, запрещённый

illegal trade - незаконная торговля, контрабанда

illegal act - незаконное /противозаконное, противоправное/ действие /-ый акт/

illegal aliens - **амер.** незаконные иммигранты (*главным образом из Мексики*)

illegal fishery - браконьерский рыбный промысел

illegal

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il·legal **AW** adjective, noun **BrE** [ɪˈliːɡl̩] **NAmE** [ɪˈliːɡl̩]

adjective

not allowed by the law

- illegal immigrants/aliens
- It's illegal to drive through a red light.

Opp: ↑legalWord Origin:early 17th cent.: from French **illégal** or medieval Latin **illegalis**, from Latin **in-** 'not' + **legalis** 'according to the law'.Thesaurus:**illegal** **adj.**

• Their action was judged illegal by the court.

illicit • • **pirate** • • **delinquent** • • **unconstitutional** • |**formal** **illegitimate** • |**formal** **law** **criminal** • • **unlawful** •**Opp:** legala/an illegal/illicit/unconstitutional/delinquent/criminal/unlawful **act**illegal/illicit/delinquent/criminal/unlawful **activity/conduct**illegal/illicit/criminal/unlawful **possession** of drugs/weaponsExample Bank:

- Prize-fighting remained popular, though technically illegal, until the 1880s.
- Such acts are clearly illegal.
- The sale of these knives should be made illegal.
- Their action was judged illegal by the International Court.
- blatantly illegal counter-intelligence methods
- It's illegal to drive through a red light.
- Most of these jobs are done by illegal immigrants.

Derived Word ↑illegally

noun (NAmE)

a person who lives or works in a country illegally

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1. **il·le·gal** ¹ **W3 AC** /ɪˈliːɡəl/ **BrE** ^ˈ **AmE** ^ˈ **adjective**[**Word Family:** **noun:** ↑legality ≠ ↑illegality, ↑legalization, ↑legalese, ↑illegal; **adjective:** ↑legal ≠ ↑illegal, ↑legalistic; **verb:** ↑legalize; **adverb:** ↑legally ≠ ↑illegally]not allowed by the law **SYN** unlawful **OPP** legal :

▪ illegal drugs

▪ They were involved in illegal activities.

it is illegal to do something

▪ It is illegal to sell tobacco to someone under 16.

REGISTERIn everyday English, people often say that something is **against the law** rather than **illegal** :▪ It is against the law to have a gun without a licence.**—illegally** **adverb:**

▪ They entered the country illegally.

—illegality /ˌɪlɪˈɡæləti, ˌɪlɪˈɡæləti/ **noun** [uncountable]

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COLLOCATIONS▪ **adverbs**▪ **completely/totally illegal** The deal was completely illegal.

- **highly illegal** (=completely illegal) It all sounds highly illegal.
- **strictly illegal formal** (=completely illegal - used for emphasis) Phone tapping is strictly illegal.
- **technically illegal** (=according to the exact details of a law) This type of boxing, although technically illegal, remained popular until the 1880s.

■ **verbs**

- **be illegal** It is illegal to sell tobacco products to anyone under the age of 16.
- **become illegal** The drug did not become illegal until the 1970s.
- **make something illegal** He was involved in the campaign to make hunting illegal.
- **declare something illegal** The strike was declared illegal on July 7.

■ **illegal + NOUN**

- **an illegal weapon** He was charged with carrying an illegal weapon.
- **illegal drugs** She was found guilty of possession of illegal drugs.
- **an illegal substance** (=an illegal drug) Customs officials found an illegal substance in Smith's luggage.
- **illegal parking/gambling/hunting etc** The fines for illegal parking are likely to increase.
- **illegal immigrants** An estimated seven million illegal immigrants are brought into Europe each year.
- **illegal activities** They were suspected of being involved in illegal activities.
- **an illegal act** Driving without insurance is an illegal act.
- **illegal use of something** They were found guilty of the illegal use of confidential information.

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THESAURUS

- **illegal** forbidden by law: It is illegal to sell tobacco to children under 16. | illegal immigrants | He was carrying an illegal weapon.
- **be against the law** to be illegal. This phrase is very commonly used in everyday English, instead of saying that something is **illegal**: Driving a car without insurance is against the law. | It's against the law to hit a child.
- **unlawful** illegal - a rather formal word, which is used especially when this particular action is considered to be illegal, although there are some situations where such actions can be legal: The judges said that the strike was unlawful. | The money was obtained by unlawful means. | a verdict of unlawful killing
- **illicit** illicit activities or goods are illegal and usually kept secret: Marijuana remains the most commonly used illicit drug in the United States. | the illicit trade in stolen cattle
- **illegitimate** not allowed or acceptable according to rules or agreements: the illegitimate use of power | The election results were declared to be illegitimate. | illegitimate share trading
- **unconstitutional** not allowed by a country's [↑]**constitution** (=set of rules and principles by which a country is governed) The court ruled that the new law was unconstitutional.

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an illegal immigrant:

Illegals are still slipping through in unacceptable numbers.

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