

ALABAMA

SEXUAL OFFENSE STATUTES	STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS	DNA EXCEPTION
ALA. CODE § 13A-6-61 Rape, first degree	ALA. CODE § 15-3-1 Felonies	
Class A felony	For all felonies, within three years after commission of the offense	
ALA. CODE § 13A-6-62 Rape, second degree		
Class B felony	ALA. CODE § 15-3-2 Misdemeanors	
	For all misdemeanors, within one year after	
ALA. CODE § 13A-6-63 Sodomy, first degree Class A felony	commission of the offense	
	Ala. Code § 15-3-5	
ALA. CODE § 13A-6-64 Sodomy, second degree	No time limit for the prosecution of:	
Class B felony	 Any capital offense 	
	 Any felony involving the use of, 	
ALA. CODE § 13A-6-65 Sexual misconduct	attempted use of, or threat of, violence to	
Class A misdemeanor	a person	
	 Any felony involving serious physical or 	
ALA. CODE § 13A-6-65.1 Sexual torture	death of a person	
Class A felony	 Any sex offense involving a victim 	
	under 16 years of age, regardless of	
ALA. CODE § 13A-6-66 Sexual abuse, first degree	whether it involves force or serious	
Class C felony	physical injury or death	
ALA. CODE § 13A-6-67 Sexual abuse, second degree	Kirby v. State, 500 So. 2d 79 (Ala. Crim. App.	
Class A misdemeanor, except if offender commits a	1986)	
subsequent sexual offense within one year, Class C	No time limit for the offense of rape because	
felony.	rape is classified for limitations purposes	
	as an offense which may be punished	
ALA. CODE § 13A-6-69 Enticing child to enter vehicle,	capitally; therefore, statute of limitations	

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house, etc., for immoral purposes.	for felony offenses does not apply to	
Class C felony	rape	
ALA. CODE § 13A-6-69.1 Sexual abuse of child under 12 Class B felony ALA. CODE § 13A-13-3 Incest Class C felony	Allen v. State, 624 So. 2d 650 (Ala. Crim. App. 1993) No time limit for the prosecution of offenses against a child under 16 committed prior to the §15-3-5 amendment effective date of January 7, 1985, if as of such	
	amendment date the previous three year	
	limitation period had not expired	

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