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Clark County Law Library Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS)

The Law Library maintains several sets of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS) by different publishers. While the laws remain the same, indexes, notations, and abbreviations may vary.

About the NRS—The Nevada Legislature meets every two years to enact new laws, modify old laws, and repeal outdated laws. Proposals for new laws, "Bills", are available on the Nevada Legislature's webpage at <https://www.leg.state.nv.us/law1.html>. If a bill is passed by the legislature, it becomes state law and is codified within the Nevada Revised Statutes.

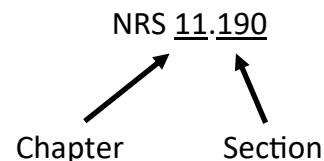
Updates—Statutes in binders are updated by the insertion of new pages and removal of old pages. Hardcover sets of the NRS are updated by the addition of pocket parts and pamphlets.

Organization—The Nevada Revised Statutes may be divided into three parts:

- Title - general classifications, such as Civil Practice, Education, Crimes, and Punishments. A title is made up of several chapters.
- Chapter - the first part of a statute number, appearing before the decimal point. Chapters refer to a specific topic, such as Juries or Holding Companies.
- Section - the second part of a statute number, appearing after the decimal point. The section is specific to the actual law passed.

Finding a Statute—To locate a Nevada law in print, look at the range of chapter numbers on the spines and select the volume that includes the chapter number needed. For example, to locate NRS 11.190, select volume 1 which contains Chapters 1-13. Use numbering on the upper corners of pages to locate the law,

beginning with the NRS number and title as some laws cover more than one page.



Statutes are available online through the Nevada Legislature Law Library at www.leg.state.nv.us/law1.cfm. To locate a specific NRS number online, select the Table of Contents and scroll down to the needed chapter. Selecting the chapter opens a list of the statutes it contains.

Searching for the Laws You Need—If you don't have an NRS number, the Index can be used to locate laws by topic. Click on the first letter of your topic and scroll down to find the topic and laws related to it.

Annotations—Notes appearing at the end of a statute refer to information about the law. These notes refer to cases, other laws, or historical information. Annotations are available in print but are not available online through the NRS on the Nevada Legislature's webpage.

Abbreviations—Volume 1 of the Nevada Revised Statutes contains a list of abbreviations that are specific to the NRS.

Assistance—The Reference Desk staff is available to assist you in using the Index and locating statutes, but cannot comment on laws or conduct your legal research.