

OIE Information & Travel Cheat Sheet

Country:

Morocco (MA)

Sex & Dating

- MA is a constitutional monarchy with conservative cultural norms
 - Traditional gender roles still very present
- Men and women may not be alone together, public displays of affection is discouraged
 - Greetings are often formal with a right hand over heart rather than a handshake

Alcohol & Drugs

- Legal age to buy/consume alcohol: 18
 - Alcohol is prohibited in Islamic culture, the purchase of such is culturally taboo
 - Bars are primarily frequented by Westerners, public intoxication is illegal
- Possession of most drugs, particularly cannabis, is illegal and harshly prosecuted

LGBTQIA+ Culture

- Same-sex relationships are illegal and punishable by fine or imprisonment
- Limited safe social spaces for LGBTQ communities
- Resources
 - Rainbow SIG
 - OutRight Action International

Cultural Customs and Norms

- Population: 37 million
- Currency: Dirham
- Official Language: Arabic
 - Standard Berber and French are also widely spoken depending on region
- Islam is big part of culture
- Distribution of religious material is illegal

Resources

190 Police / 150 Medical Assistance and Fire

+212 Country Code

- International SOS
 - DU Membership Number: 11BSGC000067
 - Phone: 215.942.8478 / Website: [internationalsos.com](https://www.internationalsos.com)
- Student Support Program (My SSP): 24/7 Mental Health Support
- U.S. Department of State Smart Traveler Enrollment Program (STEP): travel.state.gov



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