

WHAT *is* CONSENT?

To consent means to give approval and to agree by **free will**.

Consent is based on **choice**.

Consent is **active**, not passive.

Consent is possible only when there is **equal power**.

Giving in because of **fear** is not consent.

In consent, both parties must be **equally free to act**.

Going along with something because of wanting to fit in, feeling bad, or being deceived is not consent.

In consent, both parties must be **fully conscious** and have **clearly communicated** their consent.

Consent can be withdrawn at **any time**. Consent for one intimate act is not consent for another.

Silence is not consent.

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