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PERPETRATORS OF MISDEMEANOURS, BY TYPE OF MISDEMEANOUR, 2025

In 2025, there were 102 552 accused adult perpetrators of misdemeanours, which represents an increase of **1.9%** compared to 2024, while the number of those found guilty decreased by 0.8% compared to the previous year.

The number of accused juvenile perpetrators of misdemeanours amounted to 3 028 in 2025, which represents an increase of **17.0%** compared to 2024, while the number of those found guilty increased by 11.1% compared to the previous year.

In 2025, there were 12 393 accused legal entities – perpetrators of misdemeanours, which represents an increase of **0.1%** compared to 2024, while the number of those recognised as responsible decreased by 14.5% compared to the previous year.

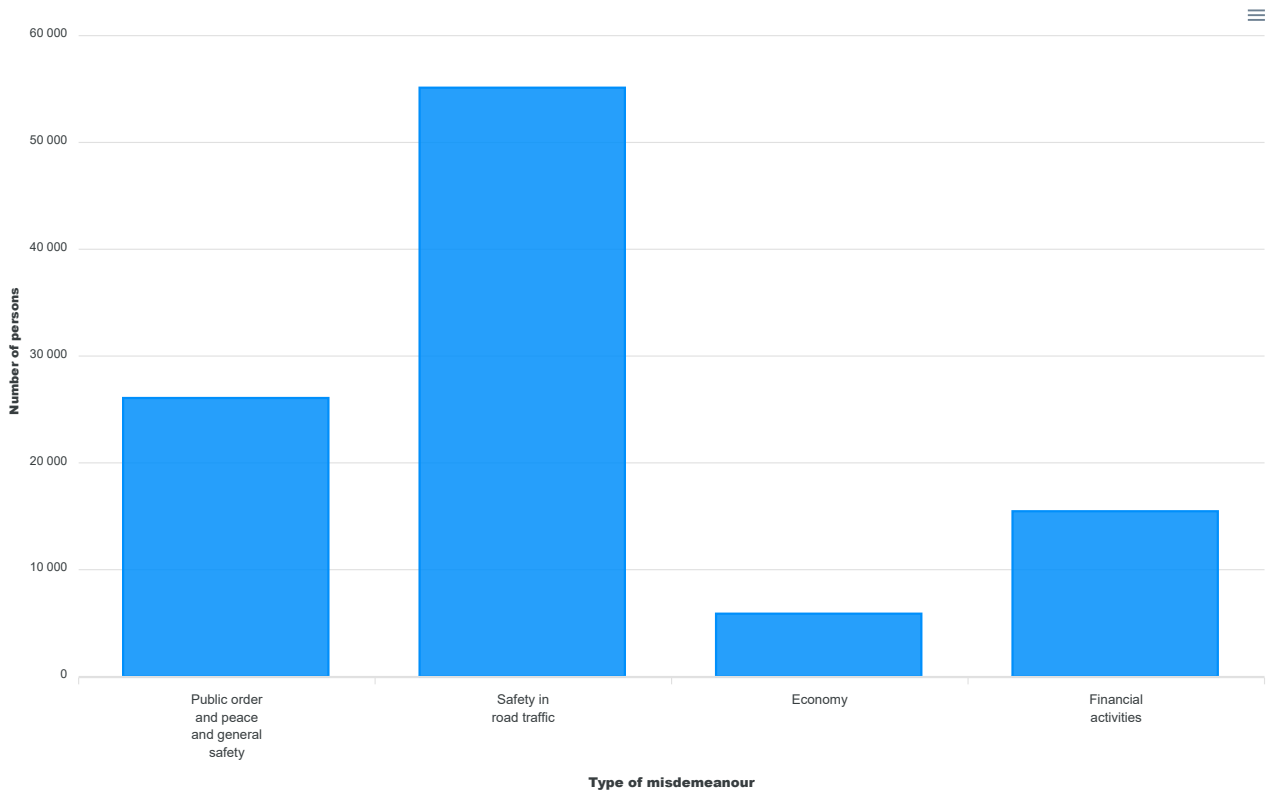
The number of accused persons in charge – perpetrators of misdemeanours amounted to 11 500 in 2025, which represents a decrease of **7.6%** compared to 2024, while the number of those who were found guilty decreased by 22.6% compared to the previous year.

Adult perpetrators of misdemeanours committed most misdemeanours in the field of safety in road traffic (53.8%) and juvenile perpetrators in the field of public order and peace and general safety (56.1%). Legal entities as well as persons in charge committed most misdemeanours in the field of economy (51.7% of legal entities and 52.3% of persons in charge).

1 MISDEMEANOUR PERPETRATORS

	Adult		Juvenile		Legal entities and persons in charge			
	Accused	Found guilty	Accused	Found guilty	Legal entities		Persons in charge	
					Accused	Found responsible	Accused	Found guilty
2024	100 638	85 284	2 588	54	12 375	8 801	12 448	9 668
2025	102 552	84 609	3 028	60	12 393	7 521	11 500	7 486
Indices 2025 2024	101,9	99,2	117,0	111,1	100,1	85,5	92,4	77,4

G-1 ACCUSED ADULT PERSONS, BY TYPE OF MISDEMEANOUR, 2025



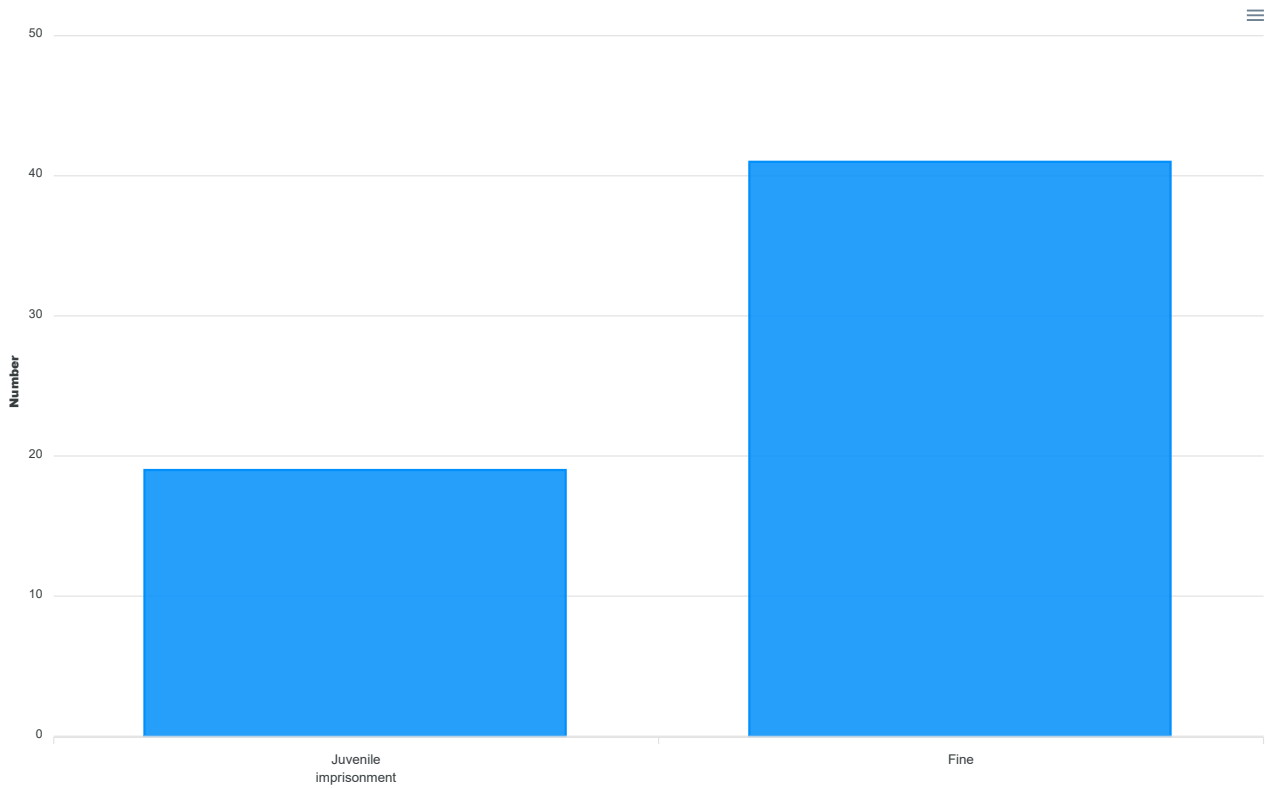
2 DECISIONS MADE BY COMPETENT MISDEMEANOUR BODIES AND PRONOUNCED SANCTIONS, BY TYPE OF MISDEMEANOUR, 2025

	Total	Type of misdemeanour			
		Public order and peace and general safety	Safety of road traffic	Economy	Financial activities
Adult persons					
Total	102 552	26 074	55 126	5 881	15 471
Women	17 675	4 513	9 075	1 589	2 498
Not found guilty	17 943	5 915	9 535	2 214	279
Women	4 240	1 463	2 104	611	62
Proceedings terminated	1 008	406	341	108	153
Judgement rejecting charges	4 819	1 846	1 989	920	64
Judgement of acquittal	12 116	3 663	7 205	1 186	62
Found guilty	84 609	20 159	45 591	3 667	15 192
Women	13 435	3 050	6 971	978	2 436
Imprisonment – total	5 996	3 576	2 420	-	-
Suspended imprisonment	4 164	2 687	1 477	-	-
Fine	75 327	16 202	40 707	3 240	15 178
Admonition	2 647	168	2 225	253	1
Found guilty, but acquitted/no penalty	639	213	239	174	13
Security measure applied	15 192	2 553	12 636	3	-
Juvenile persons					
Total	3 028	1 698	1 293	34	3
Female persons	383	224	146	13	-
Not found guilty	2 968	1 662	1 270	34	2
Female persons	382	224	145	13	-
Proceedings terminated	408	251	142	15	-
Not found guilty but educational and/or security measure applied	2 560	1 411	1 128	19	2
Found guilty	60	36	23	-	1
Female persons	1	-	1	-	-
Juvenile imprisonment – total	19	15	4	-	-
Suspended juvenile imprisonment	12	10	2	-	-
Fine	41	21	19	-	1
Educational measure applied	2 548	1 401	1 126	19	2
Of that, with security measure	38	18	20	-	-
Female persons	327	188	128	11	-
Reprimand	2 263	1 165	1 077	19	2
Special obligations	269	225	44	-	-
Commitment to a disciplinary centre	16	11	5	-	-
Security measure applied	60	33	27	-	-
Female persons	4	3	1	-	-
Of that, with educational measure	38	18	20	-	-
Of that, with sentence	10	5	5	-	-
Legal entities and persons in charge					
Total – Legal entities	12 393	776	1 432	6 411	3 774
Legal entities not found responsible	4 872	351	805	2 900	816
Proceedings terminated	1 177	25	15	450	687
Judgement rejecting charges	1 712	54	321	1 234	103
Judgement of acquittal	1 983	272	469	1 216	26
Legal entities found responsible	7 521	425	627	3 511	2 958

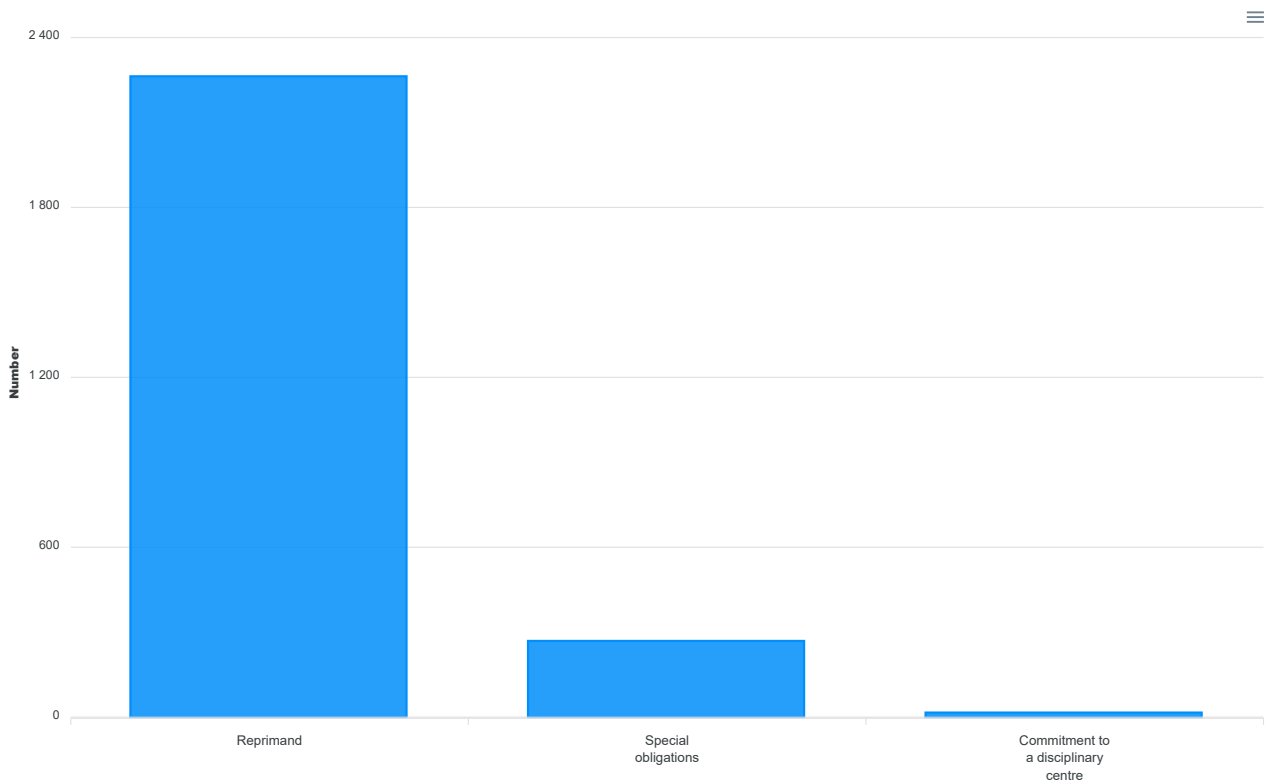
Fine	7 166	414	566	3 261	2 925
Admonition	23	-	10	13	-
Found responsible but no penal sentence	332	11	51	237	33
Security measure applied	-	-	-	-	-
Total – Persons in charge	11 500	448	1 003	6 018	4 031
Women	2 788	106	133	1 518	1 031
Persons in charge not found guilty	4 014	236	607	2 482	689
Women	936	65	85	582	204
Proceedings terminated	671	4	9	116	542
Judgement rejecting charges	1 763	41	326	1 290	106
Judgement of acquittal	1 580	191	272	1 076	41
Persons in charge found guilty	7 486	212	396	3 536	3 342
Women	1 852	41	48	936	827
Fine	7 139	199	354	3 282	3 304
Admonition	37	4	8	23	2
Found guilty but no penal sentence	310	9	34	231	36
Security measure applied	-	-	-	-	-

G-2 JUVENILES, BY PRONOUNCED SENTENCES, 2025

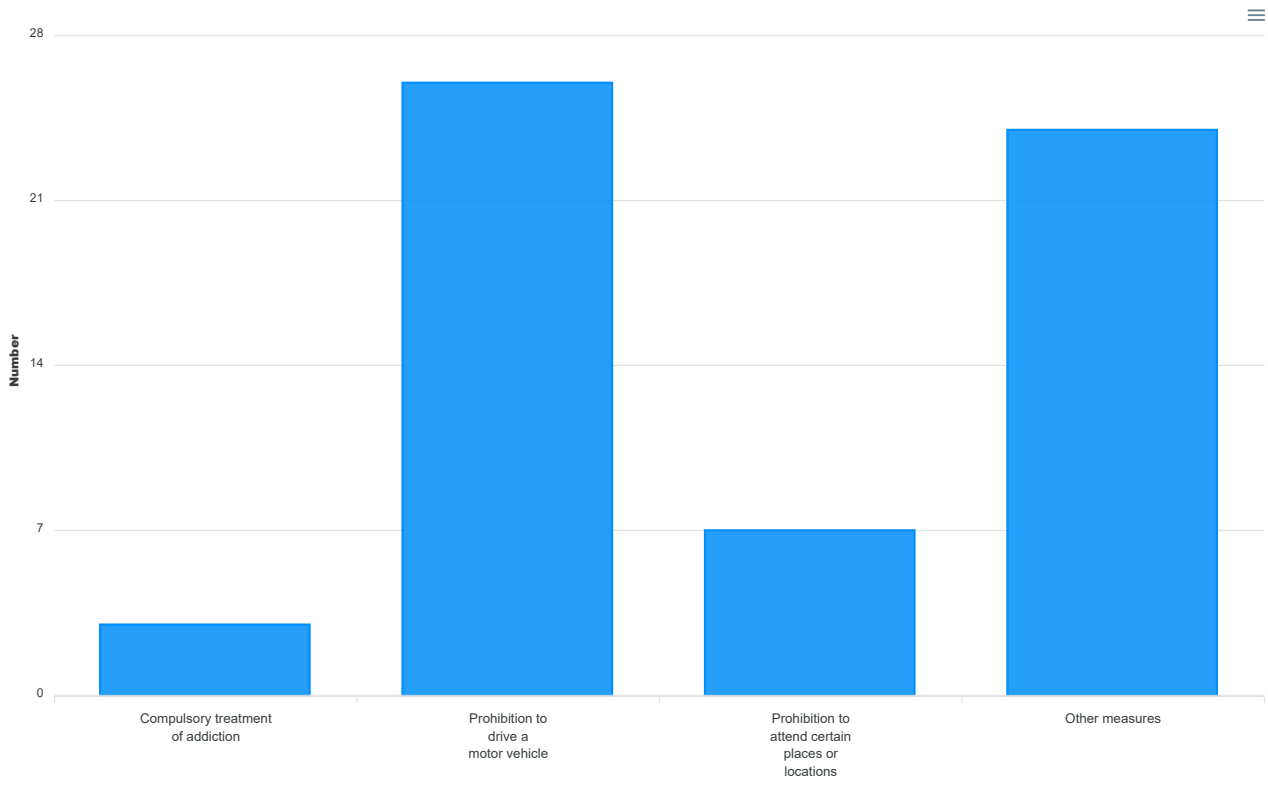
Types of pronounced sentences



Types of educational measures applied

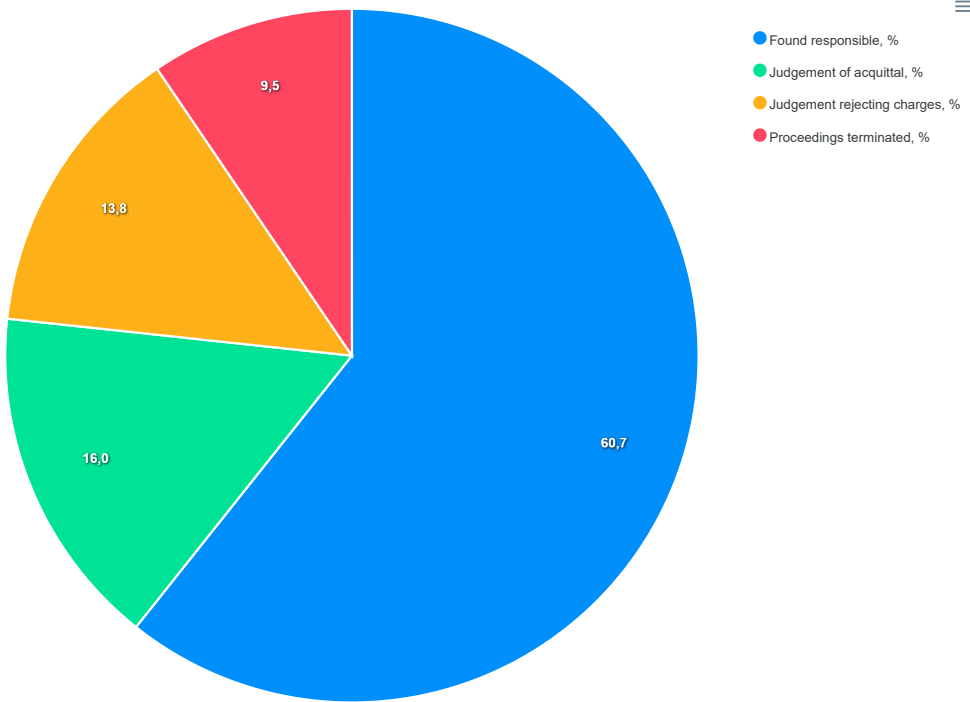


Types of security measures applied

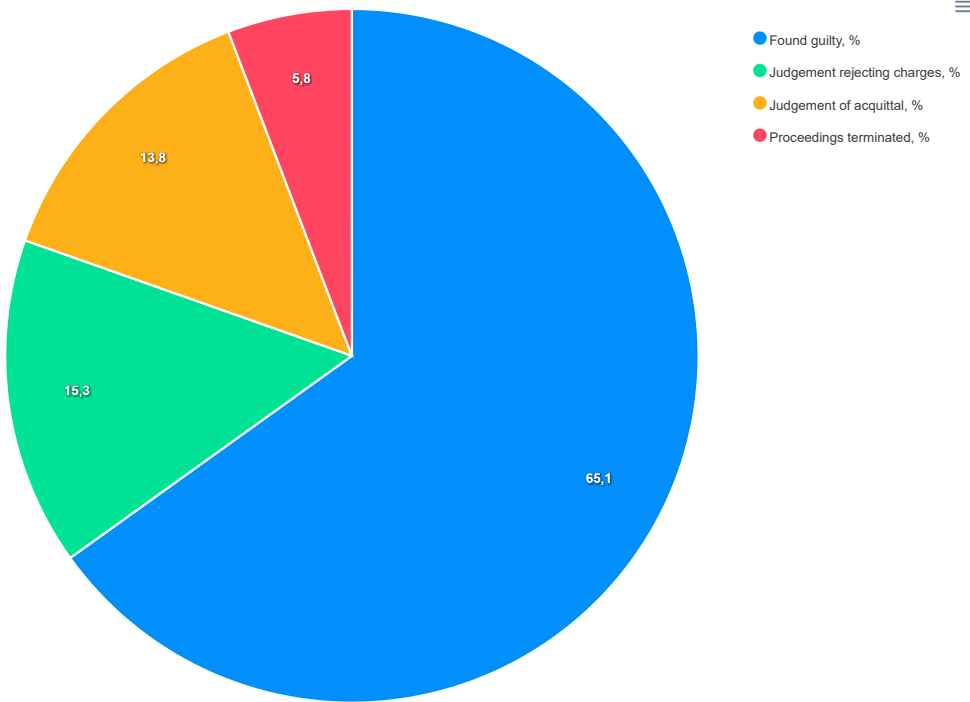


G-3 LEGAL ENTITIES AND PERSONS IN CHARGE, BY TYPE OF DECISION, 2025

Legal entities



Persons in charge



NOTES ON METHODOLOGY

Sources and methods of data collection

On the basis of the Official Statistics Act (NN, Nos 25/20, 155/23 and 124/25 – corr.), data on misdemeanours committed by adult and juvenile persons as well as by legal entities and persons in charge are collected by regular statistical surveys, which use the following statistical reports: the Statistical Report for Accused Adult against Whom Misdemeanour Proceedings Have Been Validly Concluded (SPK-1 form), the Statistical Report for Accused Juvenile against Whom Misdemeanour Proceedings Have Been Validly Concluded (SPK-2 form) and the Statistical Report for Legal Entity and Person in Charge against Whom Misdemeanour Proceedings Have Been Validly Concluded (SPK-3 form).

Statistical reports are filled in by competent municipal courts as well as by competent state administration bodies, authorised to adjudicate in misdemeanour proceedings: tax administration offices, regional customs offices, harbour master's offices, management body of air traffic and financial inspectorate.

The Misdemeanour Act (NN, Nos 107/07, 39/13, 157/13, 110/15, 70/17, 118/18 and 114/22) was put into effect on 1 January 2008 and, since then, it has been applied in statistical surveys.

Coverage

Statistical surveys cover all perpetrators of misdemeanours – adults, juveniles, legal entities and persons in charge – in order to examine the volume and spread of misdemeanours for the whole territory of the Republic of Croatia.

Definitions

Misdemeanours are conducts that violate or threaten public order, social discipline or other social values guaranteed and protected by the Constitution of the Republic of Croatia, national and international laws, the protection of which is not possible without the misdemeanour system of sanctions and is not achieved through the penal coercion.

In terms of statistical surveys, misdemeanours cover an occurrence that starts with reporting a committed misdemeanour and ends with a valid conclusion of proceedings done by a competent misdemeanour body.

Adult perpetrator of a misdemeanour is a person who turned 18 at the time of committing a misdemeanour, and against whom misdemeanour proceedings have been validly concluded by either a decision on the termination of the proceedings, a judgement on the rejection of charges, a judgement of acquittal, or a decision by which a person is found guilty.

Juvenile perpetrator of a misdemeanour is a person who, at the time of committing a misdemeanour, turned 14 but not yet 18 years of age, and against whom misdemeanour proceedings have been validly concluded by either a decision on the termination of the proceedings or a decision by which the person has been found guilty (juveniles between 16 and 18 years of age who were sentenced to juvenile imprisonment or imposed with a fine).

According to the Misdemeanour Act (NN, Nos 107/07, 39/13, 157/13, 110/15, 70/17, 118/18 and 114/22), an educational measure is applied to a juvenile perpetrator of a misdemeanour by court decision. In the enacting clause of the decision, it is only stated which measure is applied, but the juvenile perpetrator is not pronounced guilty of the committed misdemeanour.

Person in charge – perpetrator of a misdemeanour is a person in charge (director, accounting manager, cashier etc.) in a **legal entity** (trade company, state body etc.) against whom misdemeanour proceedings have been validly concluded by either a decision on the termination of the proceedings, a judgement on the rejection of charges, a judgement of acquittal, or a decision by which the person has been found guilty.

Legal entities – perpetrators of misdemeanours are domestic legal entities (for example, trade companies, state bodies, unions and alike) as well as foreign entities considered as legal entities under Croatian law, against which misdemeanour proceedings have been validly concluded by either a decision on the termination of the proceedings, a judgement on the rejection of charges, a judgement of acquittal, or a decision by which the legal entity has been found responsible.

Abbreviations

NN Narodne novine, official gazette of the Republic of Croatia

Symbols

- no occurrence

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