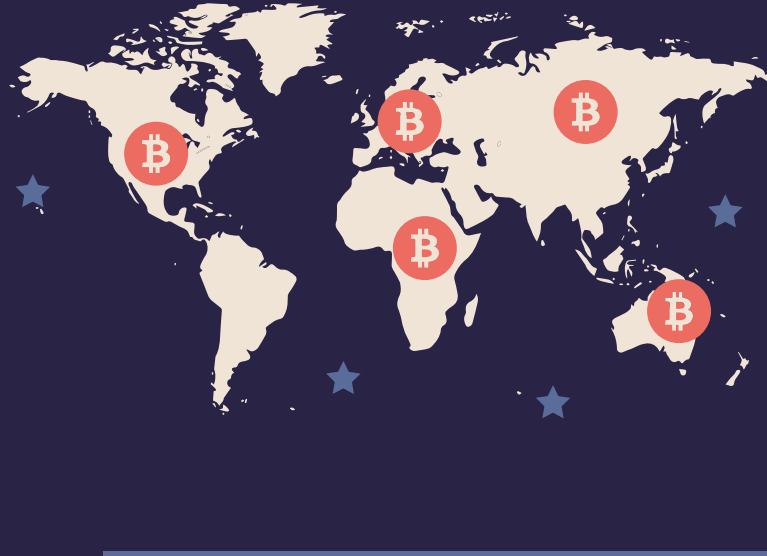




INTRODUCTION:

i

There is **no country** around the world with a specific law that categorically bans playing blackjack, roulette or poker online using **Bitcoin** as the payment method. This form of online gaming can only be illegal, or not, by association or in consideration of laws affecting other aspects related to it.



Certain regions in the world have specific legislation in place that allows them to license and regulate companies that operate an online gambling site. Different jurisdictions react differently to online gambling in general.

There are **2** aspects that majorly influence the legality of gambling using Bitcoin around the globe:

1 LEGALITY OF ONLINE GAMBLING IN GENERAL

Laws that govern gambling online using fiat currency also apply to **placing bets** gambling websites using Bitcoin.

There is no country that has specifically banned bitcoin gambling, there are those that do **not approve** of online gambling in general.

Match fixing can get you lengthy sentences and huge fines in many countries.

You must be over the age of 18

2 THE LEGALITY OF BTC AS A CURRENCY

Kyrgyzstan, Bangladesh, Bolivia, Ecuador and Nigeria: Bitcoin as **"illegal"**

Bitcoin gambling will be legal or illegal dependin **on how the law treats** the cryptocurrency.

Not many countries have outrightly classified Bitcoin as illegal or made it a criminal offense

GAMBLING WITH BTC ADVANTAGES:



Anonymity for bitcoin casino users.



Minimal user details only email and login-name



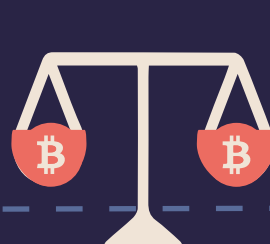
Transactions cannot be tracked by governments and tax offices



Faster Transactions



Lower Fees



Is Bitcoin Legal?



if your country is not on the list, local gambling laws will be decisive. In other words, if you are not allowed to gamble in our country, you can be sure that Bitcoin gambling is also prohibited too.

	The United States	Yes, Regulated
	The United Kingdom	Yes, Regulated
	France	Yes, Regulated
	Italy	Yes, Unregulated
	The Netherlands	Yes, Unregulated
	Germany	Yes, Regulated
	Greece	Yes, Unregulated
	Turkey	Yes, Unregulated
	South Africa	Yes, Unregulated
	Poland	Yes, Unregulated
	Belgium	Yes, Unregulated
	Canada	Yes, Regulated

	China	Unclear, Unregulated (**)
	The Czech Republic	Yes, Unregulated
	Denmark	Yes, Unregulated
	Finland	Yes, Regulated
	Hong Kong	Yes, Unregulated
	Japan	Yes, Regulated
	Norway	Yes, Regulated
	Portugal	Yes, Unregulated
	Spain	Yes, Regulated
	Australia	Yes, Regulated

Is Bitcoin Gambling Legal?



if your country is not on the list, local gambling laws will be decisive. In other words, if you are not allowed to gamble in our country, you can be sure that Bitcoin gambling is also prohibited too.

	The United States	No (*)
	The United Kingdom	Yes, Regulated
	France	No
	Italy	Yes, Regulated
	The Netherlands	Yes, Regulated
	Germany	No
	Greece	Yes, Regulated
	Turkey	No
	South Africa	No
	Poland	Yes, Regulated
	Belgium	Yes, Regulated
	Canada	Yes

	China	No
	The Czech Republic	Yes, Unregulated (***)
	Denmark	Yes, Regulated (***)
	Finland	Yes, Regulated (***)
	Hong Kong	Yes, Unregulated (***)
	Japan	Yes, Unregulated (***)
	Norway	Yes, Regulated (***)
	Portugal	Yes, Regulated (***)
	Spain	Yes, Regulated (***)
	Australia	Yes, Regulated (***)

"Regulated" refers that there is a regulation of Bitcoin and/or online gambling. "Unregulated" means that Bitcoin is legal, but it is not subject to any legal regulation. Since this is not the goal of this article, we won't provide detailed information about these regulations.

(*) Online gambling is considered legal in certain states only.

(**) Individuals can hold and trade Bitcoin, but banks and payment providers are prohibited from BTC exchanges as of December 2017.

(***) Local online casinos are banned but foreign online casinos are not banned.

	United Kingdom (UK) Online gambling is legal. Providing licensed by the UK Gambling Commission (UKGC) downside are the high tax rates.
	Australia Sports betting and lottery games are allowed. There's no law that specifically prohibits Australians from using overseas gambling sites. Northern Territory Racing Commission (NTRC), informal ban against all cryptocurrency online wagering.
	New Zealand Online betting and gaming are prohibited to companies based in the region. It is legal to use sites located overseas.
	US Online gambling unclear The Wire Act of 1971 = telephone betting illegal (Internet didn't exist in that time). The Unlawful Internet Gambling Enforcement Act (UIGEA): didn't specifically make online gambling illegal. It illegal for banks and other financial institutions to process transactions between US residents and gambling sites. It is safe to assume that Bitcoin gambling is not illegal in the United States. A number of other operators continued to welcome American customers though. Their argument was that if they were based and licensed in a jurisdiction where online gambling was legal, then they weren't breaking any laws. A number of states makes online gambling legal and some states have even issued gaming and betting licenses to operators
	Canada It illegal for any company to provide betting and gaming services to Canadian citizens without a license from the provincial government. There is no law which makes it illegal for Canadians to use gambling sites that are located overseas.
	Russia Online gambling was completely banned. although it is believed that many Russians do continue to gamble online. Internet service providers must block sites operated by online gambling operators
	China Does not allow internet or land-based gambling. National lottery is legal. Macau is the lone territory to gamble
	Isle of Man It is a center for online digital currencies. The hotbed for online bitcoin gambling. Controlled by the Gambling Supervision Commission (GSC)
	Alderney s reputed to transmit more internet e-gambling traffic than any other place on the globe.
	Curaçao Created legislation for regulating online gambling. Nº1 top jurisdiction for launching a licensed Online Gaming Business. Provide very low tax rates for online gambling companies. Income tax rate: 2% and Gross income wager tax: 0%.
	Gibraltar The Digital Ledger Technology Regulatory Framework, where financial services and online gambling are the principal contributors to the economy.

CONCLUSION:

80 countries that have legalized online gambling
Europe has the largest online gambling market in the world
In the US, three states (Delaware, Nevada and New Jersey) already allow online gambling
Legal online gambling businesses must be registered and in compliance in at least one jurisdiction.
Caribbean nations such as Antigua and Barbuda, Costa Rica, and Curaçao and European nations such as Malta and the UK.

Government won't be able to stop you – in fact, they even wouldn't be able to see what you are doing. You are not using the banking system and do not share your identity: You are a "ghost" in the blockchain. For this reason, we can say that Bitcoin gambling is a "gray area". It allows you to get rid of legal and geographical restrictions and get an unlimited gambling experience.



Courtesy of

MYBITCOINSLOTS

PLAY BITCOIN SLOTS. FOR FREE.