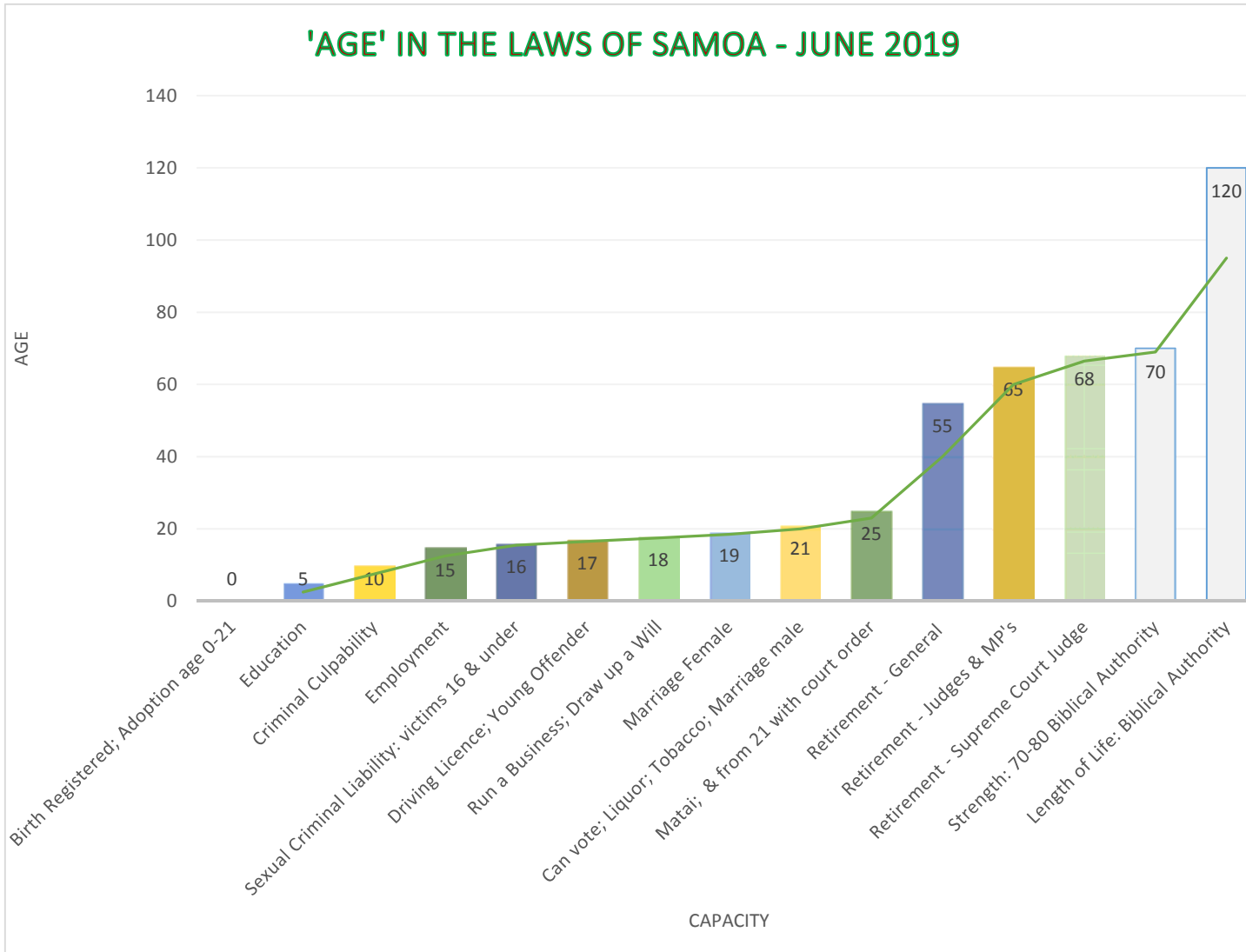


'AGE' IN THE LAWS OF SAMOA - JUNE 2019



AREA	LEGISLATION	AGE
Birth	BDM Registration Act 2002; Section 10	0 - 28 days must be registered in BDM Register
Adoption	Infants Ordinance 1961; Section 2 & 7	0 – 21 years old
Education	Education Act 2009; Section 2 & 4	5 – 14 years old The general age for when a child must be enrolled into school is 5 years old. However, if a child turns 5 before 1 June of a particular year, the child must be enrolled into school at the age of 4 years old for that year.
Criminal Culpability	Crimes Act 2013; Section 12	10 years old +
Employment	Labor and Employment Relations Act 2015; Section 51	15 years old - Or - Under 15 years if work is suitable to the child's abilities.
Age of consent (sexual activity)	Crimes Act 2013; Section 50 & 59	16 years old - A criminal offence - Sexual conduct with young person under 16
Driving age	Road Traffic Ordinance 1960; Section 28 & 36	17 years old
Young Offender	Young Offenders Act 2007; Section 2	10 - 17 years old
Business License	Business Licenses Act 1998; Section 8	18 years old
Wills	Wills Act 1975; Section 4 & 19	18 years old
Marriage - Female	Marriage Ordinance 1961; Sections 8 & 10	16 year old with consent of guardian or 19 years old without consent
Marriage - Male	Marriage Ordinance 1961 Section 8 & 10	18 years old with consent of guardian or 21 years old without consent

Liquor	Liquor Act 2011; Section 14	21 years old
Tobacco	Tobacco Control Act 2008; Section 23	21 years old
Voting	Electoral Act 1963, Section 2 & 16	21 years old
Matai Title	Land and Titles Act 1981 Section 20(1) & (2)	25 years old or 21 years old with court order
Age to run for election	Electoral Act 1963; Section 5	21 years old
Retirement – General	Public Service Act 2004; Section 75	55 years old
Retirement – Judges	Land and Titles Act 1981 Section 29	65 years old
Retirement – Members of Parliament	Parliamentary Pension Scheme Act 1998; Section 2 & 12	65 years old
Retirement – Supreme Court Judges	Judicature Ordinance 1961; Section 24	68 years old
Death – General	The Holy Bible; King James Version (KJV); Psalms 90:10	The days of our years are threescore years and ten (seventy years); and if by reason of strength they be fourscore years(eighty years), yet is their strength labour and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away
Death – Max	The Holy Bible; King James Version (KJV);Genesis 6:3	And the Lord said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years.