

“In flagrante delicto”

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In flagrante delicto or sometimes simply *in flagrante* ([Latin](#): "while [the crime] is blazing") is a legal term used to indicate that a criminal has been caught in the act of committing an offense (compare [corpus delicti](#)). The [colloquial](#) "caught [red-handed](#)" or "caught in the act" are English equivalents.

The Latin term has come to be used far more often as a [euphemism](#) for a couple being caught in the act of [sexual intercourse](#); in modern usage the intercourse need not be [adulterous](#) or illicit.

So ... there it is ...

Like I have often said: “If you want to catch me with a great big smile on my face, catch me in Flagrante Delicto!

- Captain Craig ... Scourge of Political Correctness ... the Whole World Over ...