

Need another word that means the same as “wrongful”? Find 16 synonyms for “wrongful” in this overview.

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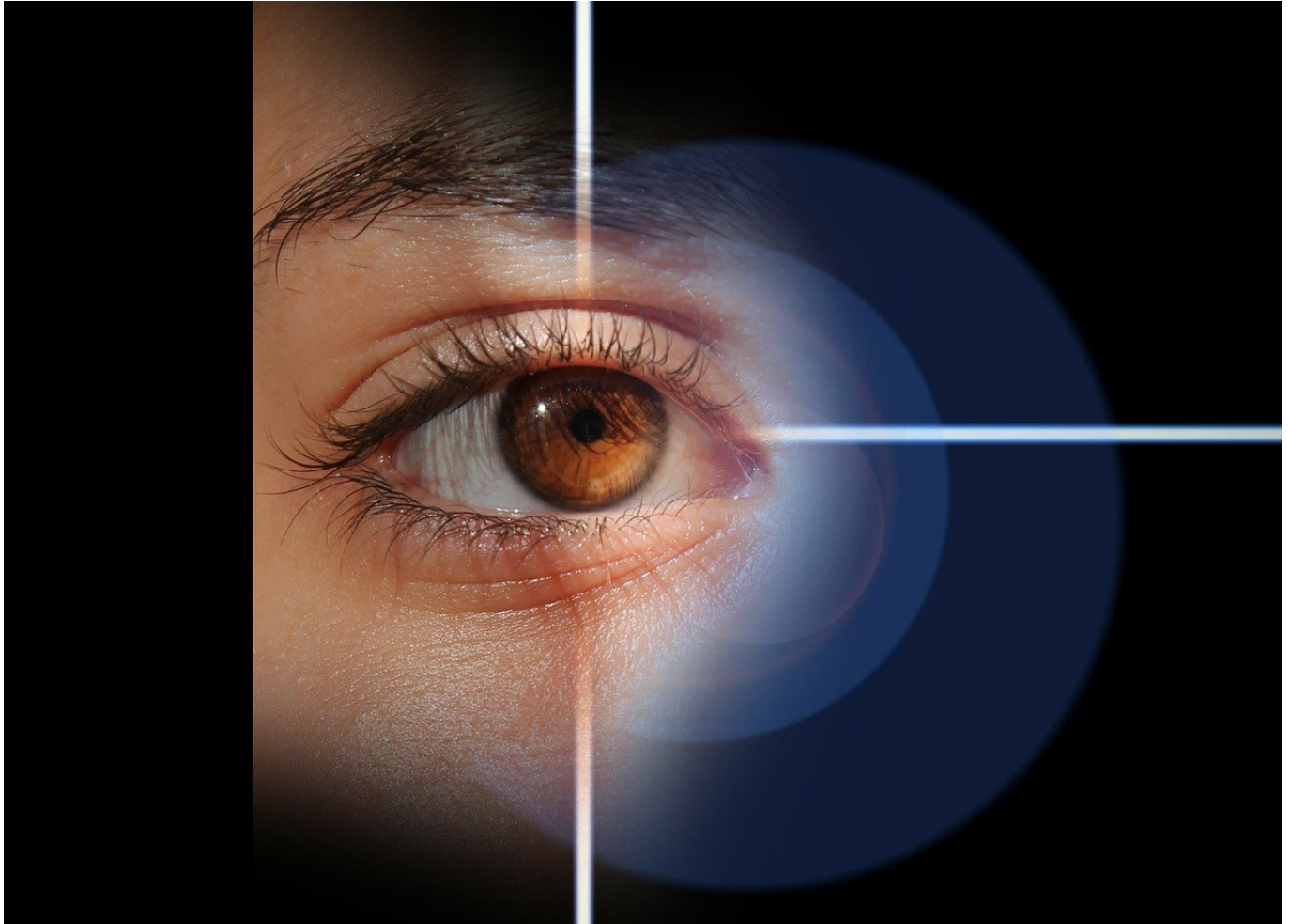
**The synonyms of “Wrongful” are: unlawful, unjustified, unwarranted, unjust, unfair, undue, undeserved, unreasonable, unnecessary, groundless, indefensible, inappropriate, improper, illegal, illegitimate, illicit**

## Wrongful as an Adjective

### Definitions of "Wrongful" as an adjective

According to the [Oxford Dictionary of English](#), “wrongful” as an adjective can have the following definitions:

- *Having no legally established claim.*
- *Not just or fair.*
- *(of an act) not fair, just, or legal.*
- *Unlawfully violating the rights of others.*



## Synonyms of "Wrongful" as an adjective (16 Words)

<b>groundless</b>	Not based on any good reason. <i>The allegations proved <b>groundless</b>.</i>
<b>illegal</b>	Prohibited by law or by official or accepted rules. <i>An <b>illegal</b> chess move.</i>
<b>illegitimate</b>	(of a child) born of parents not lawfully married to each other. <i>An <b>illegitimate</b> seizure of power.</i>
<b>illicit</b>	Forbidden by law, rules, or custom. <i><b>Illicit</b> sex.</i>
<b><u>improper</u></b>	Not appropriate for a purpose or occasion. <i>The <b>improper</b> use of public funds.</i>
<b>inappropriate</b>	Not suitable for a particular occasion etc. <i>Completely <b>inappropriate</b> behavior.</i>

<b>indefensible</b>	Not justifiable by argument. <i>The towns were tactically <b>indefensible</b>.</i>
<b><u>undeserved</u></b>	Not warranted, merited, or earned. <i>Has an <b>undeserved</b> reputation as a coward.</i>
<b><u>undue</u></b>	Not appropriate or proper (or even legal) in the circumstances. <i>His dress stops just short of <b>undue</b> elegance.</i>
<b>unfair</b>	Not based on or behaving according to the principles of equality and justice. <i>Took an <b>unfair</b> advantage.</i>
<b><u>unjust</u></b>	Not based on or behaving according to what is morally right and fair. <i>An <b>unjust</b> judge.</i>
<b><u>unjustified</u></b>	(of printed text) not justified. <i><b>Unjustified</b> price increases.</i>
<b>unlawful</b>	Contrary to or forbidden by law. <i><b>Unlawful</b> money.</i>
<b>unnecessary</b>	Not needed. <i>Good construction is essential to avoid <b>unnecessary</b> waste.</i>
<b><u>unreasonable</u></b>	Beyond the limits of acceptability or fairness. <i>An <b>unreasonable</b> request.</i>
<b><u>unwarranted</u></b>	Incapable of being justified or explained. <i><b>Unwarranted</b> limitations of personal freedom.</i>





## Usage Examples of "Wrongful" as an adjective

- *He is suing the police for wrongful arrest.*
- *The wrongful heir to the throne.*
- *A wrongful diversion of trust income.*
- *A wrongful charge.*
- *A wrongful act.*
- *Wrongful death.*

