

The Human Rights Act

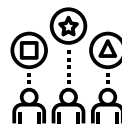


Easy Read Version

All people have Human Rights. We have a right to:

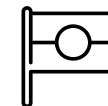
Freedom

- Of expression (eg. your own thoughts and opinions)
- Of movement (eg. where you live and travel)
- To choose and practice a religion, belief or culture
- To choose your friends, join a group, attend events
- To vote, stand for election and work for the government
- To have your own things (eg. phone, car, house)
- To have rights in law, access to police and legal help
- To only be punished (eg. jail) once for the same crime
- To be protected from unfair laws (criminal)
- From being forced to work (treated like a slave)



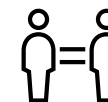
Respect

- Right to life and healthcare
- Right to education
- Families and children to be protected
- Of culture, particularly for Aboriginal peoples



Equality

- Right to be treated equally before the law
- Right to be part of the community
- Right to vote
- Be treated fairly without discrimination



Dignity

- To be safe from hurtful treatment of body or mind
- Protection of your privacy and your reputation
- Treated with dignity if you are in jail or other institution
- Children to be treated properly by the police, courts and laws

