Where do human rights laws come from?

Australia has laws and rules about your rights.

These laws come from -

- The United Nations (International laws)
- The Australian Government
- The Human Rights Commission
- The State and Territory Governments

Human rights laws include:

International Laws

- The Universal Declaration of Human Rights (UDHR)
- The United Nations Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (UNCRPD)
- The United Nations Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Discrimination against Women
- The Convention on the Rights of the Child
- The Convention on the Elimination of all forms of Racial Discrimination
- The Convention against Torture and other Inhumane Treatment of Punishment
- Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples
- The International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights
- The International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

Australian Laws

- The Australian Human Rights Commission Act
- The Disability Discrimination Act
- The Sex Discrimination Act
- The Racial Discrimination Act
- The Age Discrimination Act



ACT Government Laws

- ACT Discrimination ACT
- ACT Human Rights Commission Act
- ACT Children and Young People Act
- ACT Health Records (Privacy and Access) Act



For more information on human rights, go to:



Easy English information on rights for women with disability



Easy English information about the Disability Discrimination Act



United Nations website



The Australian Human Rights Commission website



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