

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

Recent years have witnessed key developments when it comes to putting in place measures that ensure all communities live with dignity in Ireland. However, the information on these provisions has often failed to reach most communities.

This leaflet addresses this by sharing key information on existing policy measures that promote inclusion.



The Equal Status Acts 2000–2018 ('the Acts') is one of the most important laws against discrimination in Ireland. It makes it illegal for people to be treated unfairly when purchasing goods and services or accessing accommodation and education. For example, if you are denied a service by a bank or shop based on your religion or race, you can file a complaint with the Workplace Relations Commission.





Criminal Justice (Victims of Crime) Act, 2017 protects everyone who has been victim of a crime. It ensures that no matter who you are, if you are a victim of crime, you need to be offered translation services, information on available supports or even information of when you can access legal aid or any other relevant advice.





Under the Public Sector Equality and Human Rights Duty (Public Sector Duty), all public bodies in Ireland (e.g. public schools, local authorities) are required to ensure equality, eliminate discrimination and protect the human rights of any person affected by their work practices or policies.



Disclaimer:

To ensure accessibility, this leaflet has paraphrased the contents of the Equal Status Acts, the Criminal Justice Act and the Public Sector Duty. For the exact wording of these pieces of legislation, you can visit the linked QR Codes.

If you have faced or witnessed racism, you can log it with iReport: www.ireport.ie. The findings from the iReport.ie system are used to compile annual reports that have been used to successfully advocate for more effective policies and procedures for tackling racism & discrimination, including through the National Action Plan Against Racism.

For emergencies, please dial 112 or 999









