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As well as the Human Rights Act, another law also protects you from being treated unfairly.

This is called the **Equality Act**.



The Equality Act applies if you live in England, Scotland or Wales.

If you live in Northern Ireland, the law is different.



The Equality Act protects you from being treated unfairly for 9 different reasons.

These are:



**Age**



**Disability**



**Gender reassignment**

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Marriage or civil partnership



Pregnancy or motherhood



Race



Religion or belief



Sex



Sexual orientation



The Equality Act applies to public bodies and **private bodies** if they are serving people.



**Private bodies** includes private landlords, shops and employers.

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**The Human Rights Act only applies to public bodies.**



**There is an Easy Read guide on the Equality Act:**

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