Human Rights in Ontario

The Ontario Human Rights Code provides that every Ontarian has the right to equal treatment, free from discrimination and harassment in employment, accommodation, goods, services, facilities, contracts and membership in vocational associations.

The Code prohibits discrimination on the basis of race, ancestry, place of origin, colour, ethnic origin, citizenship, creed (religion), sex (including pregnancy and gender identity), sexual orientation, disability, age (18 and over, 16 and over in accommodation), marital status (including same sex partners), family status, receipt of public assistance (in accommodation) and record of offences (in employment).

For more information call:

Toll Free **1-800-387-9080**

TTY (Toll Free) **1-800-308-5561**

Or visit:

Ontario.ca/humanrights

Ontario Human Rights Commission website:
www.ohrc.on.ca

Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario website:
www.hrto.ca

Human Rights Legal Support Centre website:
www.hrlsc.on.ca

Ministry of the Attorney General website:
www.ontario.ca/attorneygeneral

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(416) 326-2220 or
1-800-518-7901
TTY: (416) 326-4012

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Ontario's New Human Rights System

Ontario now has a stronger system for safeguarding the human rights of everyone in our province. The new system is designed to resolve discrimination claims faster and help promote and advance human rights.

Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario

The Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario deals with all claims of discrimination filed under the Ontario Human Rights Code. The Tribunal resolves human rights applications through mediation or adjudication. Its goal is to resolve claims in a fair, open and timely manner.

Contact the Tribunal if you want:

- Information about the status of your case
- To file a human rights application and need a form
- A form to respond to a human rights application
- An application guide

Human Rights Tribunal of Ontario
655 Bay St., 14th Floor
Toronto ON, M7A 2A3

Toronto: (416) 326-1312
Toll Free: 1-866-598-0322
TTY (Toronto): (416) 326-2027
TTY (Toll Free): 1-866-607-1240
Fax: (416) 326-2199
Fax (Toll Free): 1-866-355-6099

Website: www.hrto.ca

Human Rights Legal Support Centre

The new Human Rights Legal Support Centre offers human rights legal services to individuals throughout Ontario who believe they have experienced discrimination. The Centre's services range from legal assistance in filing an application at the Tribunal to legal representation on human rights applications.

Contact the Centre if you think you have been discriminated against and want:

- Advice about next steps
- Help with starting a human rights application

Human Rights Legal Support Centre
400 University Avenue, 7th Floor
Toronto ON, M7A 1T7

Toronto: (416) 314-6266
Toll Free: 1-866-625-5179
Fax: (416) 314-6202
Fax (Toll Free): 1-866-625-5180
TTY (Toronto): (416) 314-6651
TTY (Toll Free): 1-866-612-8627

Website: www.hrlsc.on.ca

Ontario Human Rights Commission

The Ontario Human Rights Commission works to promote, protect and advance human rights. Its main focus is to address the root causes of discrimination. Activities include research and monitoring, policy development, and education and training. The Commission also conducts human rights inquiries and may initiate human rights applications or intervene in important cases before the Tribunal. Through outreach, cooperation and partnership the Commission aims to advance Ontario's human rights culture.

Contact the Commission if you want to learn more about:

- Human rights education and outreach
- Human rights issues in Ontario

Ontario Human Rights Commission
180 Dundas Street W., 7th Floor
Toronto ON, M7A 2R9

Toronto: (416) 326-9511
Toll Free: 1-800-387-9080
TTY (Toronto): (416) 314-6526
TTY (Toll Free): 1-800-308-5561

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