

Executive Council Resolution No. (3) of 2014
Forming the Higher Committee for Protection of the Rights of
Persons with Disabilities in the Emirate of Dubai¹

We, Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai, Chairman of the Executive Council,

After perusal of:

Federal Law No. (29) of 2006 Concerning the Rights of Persons with Disabilities and its amendments;

Law No. (3) of 2003 Establishing the Executive Council of the Emirate of Dubai (the “**Executive Council**”); and

Law No. (2) of 2014 Concerning Protection of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in the Emirate of Dubai,

Do hereby issue this Resolution.

Formation of the Committee
Article (1)

Pursuant to this Resolution, a permanent committee named the “Higher Committee for Protection of the Rights of Persons with Disabilities in the Emirate of Dubai” (the “**Committee**”) will be formed under the chairmanship of Sheikh Mansoor bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum and with the membership of:

1. the Secretary General of the Executive Council, as vice chairman;
2. the General Commander of the Dubai Police, as member;
3. the Chairman of the Board of Directors and Executive Director of the Roads and Transport Authority, as member;

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¹Every effort has been made to produce an accurate and complete English version of this legislation. However, for the purpose of its interpretation and application, reference must be made to the original Arabic text. In case of conflict the Arabic text will prevail.

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4. the Director General of the Dubai Municipality, as member;
5. the Director General of the Dubai Health Authority, as member;
6. the Deputy Chairman and Managing Director of Dubai Media Incorporated, as member;
7. the Director General of the Community Development Authority in Dubai, as member;
8. the Chairman of the Board of Directors and Director General of the Knowledge and Human Development Authority, as member;
9. the Secretary General of the Dubai Sports Council, as member; and
10. Mr. Majid Abdullah Murshed Al Osaimi, as the representative of Persons with Disabilities; as member.

Functions of the Committee

Article (2)

The Committee will have the duties and powers to:

1. approve the policies, plans, and initiatives that ensure the protection of the rights of Persons with Disabilities and their enjoyment of the rights granted to them under the legislation in force, submit these to the Executive Council for final approval, and follow up their implementation;
2. propose legislation related to the protection of the rights of Persons with Disabilities and their social integration;
3. approve the rules, standards, and priorities related to the basic needs required for providing care and Habilitation to Persons with Disabilities and for integrating them into society;
4. approve frameworks for cooperation and coordination between the entities concerned with the affairs of Persons with Disabilities, and give effect to the procedures for communication between these entities and the Committee;
5. set frameworks for monitoring and supervising the implementation of the resolutions and recommendations issued by the Committee;
6. build the required partnerships with the private sector in the Emirate in order that the private sector may contribute to enabling Persons with Disabilities to exercise their rights and avail themselves of the privileges granted to them;

7. review periodic reports submitted to it by the concerned entities in respect of obstacles to implementing the legislation in force in the Emirate concerning Persons with Disabilities, and find the appropriate solutions to overcome these obstacles;
8. set the regulations and policies on the conflict of interest in areas related to its work;
9. form specialised sub-committees to assist it in performing its duties; and
10. perform any other duties assigned to it by the Chairman of the Executive Council.

Duties of the Chairman of the Committee

Article (3)

The chairman of the Committee will supervise the work of the Committee and the outcome of its meetings, follow up the implementation of its recommendations and resolutions, assign any duties to the Committee members to enable it to perform its functions under the provisions of this Resolution, and supervise the performance of these duties by such members.

Meetings of the Committee

Article (4)

- a. The Committee will convene at the invitation of its chairman, or vice chairman in case of absence of the chairman, at least once every three (3) months or where necessary at the time and place he sets. Committee meetings will be valid if attended by the majority of its members, provided that its chairman or vice chairman is in attendance.
- b. Resolutions of the Committee will be passed by majority vote of attending members, and in the event of a tie, the chair of the meeting will have a casting vote.
- c. Resolutions of the Committee will be recorded in minutes of meetings signed by the chair of the meeting and attending members.
- d. The Committee may, as it deems appropriate, seek the assistance of experts and specialists, but they will have no vote in its deliberations.
- e. A rapporteur will be appointed to the Committee by its chairman. The rapporteur will send invitations to the Committee meetings, prepare meeting agendas, record minutes of meetings, and perform any other duties assigned to him by the chairman of the Committee.

Executive Team of the Committee

Article (5)

The chairman of the Committee will form an executive team under the leadership of an employee of the General Secretariat of the Executive Council and with the membership of representatives from the entities represented in the Committee. The Committee will determine the duties and powers of the executive team.

Periodic Reports

Article (6)

- a. The chairman of the Committee will submit periodic reports to the Executive Council on the outcome of the Committee's work and achievements, the obstacles it faces, and its recommended solutions and proposals.
- b. The concerned entities will submit to the Committee periodic reports on the procedures and measures taken by these entities to ensure that Persons with Disabilities enjoy the rights granted to them under the legislation in force, and the hindrances preventing them from enjoying such rights.

Technical and Administrative Support

Article (7)

The General Secretariat of the Executive Council will provide the technical and administrative support required by the Committee and its executive team.

Issuing Implementing Resolutions

Article (8)

The chairman of the Committee will issue the resolutions required for the implementation of the provisions of this Resolution.

Commencement and Publication

Article (9)

This Resolution comes into force on the day on which it is issued, and will be published in the Official Gazette.

Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum

Crown Prince of Dubai

Chairman of the Executive Council

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