

## UNCROC Summary Table

UNCROC Article	Summary of rights / principles
1	UNCROC applies to everyone under 18 years of age
2	<b>The right to protection from discrimination on any grounds*</b>
3	<b>The best interests of the child should be the primary consideration</b>
4	The Government should make UNCROC rights a reality
5	Children have the right to be given guidance by parents and family
6	<b>The rights to life, survival and development</b>
7	The right to a name and a nationality
8	The right to an identity
9	The right for children to live with their parents unless it is not in their best interests
10	The right for children and parents to be reunited even if they are living in separate countries
11	Children should not be kidnapped
12	<b>The right for children to have an opinion and for that opinion to be heard in all contexts</b>
13	The right to freedom of expression across all media unless it breaches the rights of others
14	The right to freedom of thought and religion with parental guidance
15	The right to freedom of association, unless it breaches the rights of others
16	The right to privacy
17	The right to free access to all media but to be protected from harmful material
18	The right to be brought up by one's parents, if possible
19	The right to protection from harm or maltreatment
20	The right to special protection and support for children who cannot live with their parents
21	The right to the best care when adopted or fostered
22	The right to special protection and support for refugees
23	The right to special care and education for children who are mentally or physically disabled
24	The right to the best health possible and access to the best medical care and information possible
25	The right for children living away from home to have their living arrangements checked regularly
26	The right to help from the Government for those who are poor or in need

27	The right to a sufficient standard of living: food, clothes and a place to live
28	The right to education
29	The right to the kind of education that develops one's personality and abilities and encourages a respect for people's rights and values and the environment
30	The right for indigenous children and children in minority groups defined by race, religion or language to enjoy their own culture, practise their own religion, and use their own language
31	The right to recreation
32	The right to protection from work that is bad for one's health or education
33	The right to be protected from dangerous drugs
34	The right to be protected from sexual abuse
35	The right to protection from kidnapping and sale
36	The right to protection from any other kind of exploitation
37	The right not be punished in a cruel, degrading or hurtful way
38	The right to protection in times of war; under-15-year-olds should not be eligible to join an army or participate in battle
39	The right to help and support for children who have been abused or maltreated
40	The right to a range of protections for children accused of breaking the law
41	The right to any further compatible rights offered to children above and beyond UNCROC
42	Information about UNCROC should be widely disseminated by the Government

Articles 43 - 54 detail the processes by which States' UNCROC commitments are entered into, reported on and administered

\*General principles of UNCROC as determined by the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child

<b>Optional Protocols to UNCROC</b>	Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict ( <b>ratified by NZ in 2001</b> )
	The Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography ( <b>signed by NZ in 2000 but not yet ratified</b> )