

Face Masks and Human Rights

The decision to mandate face masks on public transport, in shops and within clinical settings is in direct violation of our inalienable human rights to bodily integrity as set out in the **Human Rights Act 1998**, under the following articles:

Article 2 states that *everyone's right to life shall be protected by law and no-one shall be deprived of this life*. Masks impede the natural way to breathe oxygen and expel harmful pathogens effectively. Prolonged use of face masks has been shown to be harmful to health in numerous scientific studies and an overwhelming opinion within the scientific and medical communities is that the use of face masks in the wider community isn't justified and increases infection risks to the wearer. Many Doctors worldwide are speaking out about the health risks posed. Face masks offer a false sense of security to the wearer and causes psychological distress for many. Many healthy people report feeling physically uncomfortable while wearing the masks and feeling that their breathing is restricted. There are also reports of people admitted to hospital due to illness in the UK caused by mask wearing. Face mask mandates in shops and on public transport (both of which people use on a day to day basis), ensure prolonged use and therefore increase health risks to the wearer. It is a danger to people's lives. The Government and public health officials who wanted mandatory face coverings must be held liable in a court of law, for any person who suffers ill health (physical or mental), from mask enforcements in shops, on public transport and within clinical settings!

Article 3 states *no-one shall be subjected to torture or to inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment*. Forcing members of the general public to wear masks against their will is inhumane, degrading and amounts to psychological and physical torture for many. Telling people they cannot avail of public transport or enter a shop to buy basic necessities unless they're wearing a mask, is degrading and demeaning to say the least. This is already happening with mandatory mask wearing in shops and public transport and hospitals. People are being subjected to unfair, degrading treatment. Some even being refused entry to shops despite being exempt. The Government's virtue signalling campaign on masks encourages this degrading treatment.

Article 9- *everyone has a right to freedom of thought* and given that there is NO PROVEN scientific basis that masks prevent the spread of viral infections, a person should be able to express their freedom of thought in choosing whether it's the right decision for them to wear a face mask.

Article 10 of the Human Rights Act also states that *everyone has the right to freedom of expression. This right shall include freedom to hold opinions and to receive and impart information and ideas without interference by public authority and regardless of frontiers.* Mandatory face masks means the Government is taking away our freedom of expression. People have a right to hold and express their opinions over their own bodily integrity if they do not wish to cover their faces.

Article 14 of the act states - *The enjoyment of the rights and freedoms set forth in this Convention shall be secured without discrimination on any ground such as sex, race, colour, language, religion, political or other opinion, national or social origin, association with a national minority, property, birth or other status.* The government is violating the enjoyment of our freedom of choice on what we put on to our own bodies. Face masks are dehumanising and covering the face takes away from the basic right to individual identity as a human being.

People also have a right to their freedom of choice in matters of public debate. Non-medical Mask wearing is a matter of public debate. IT'S NOT SUPPORTED BY THE MAJORITY OF MAJOR MEDICAL JOURNALS AND STUDIES DUE TO HEALTH RISKS AND WHERE THERE ARE HEALTH RISKS, THERE SHOULD BE CHOICE! They should NOT therefore be mandated by Government; and doing so is an infringement on our basic human rights and civil liberties. People should be allowed to choose to follow the advice of those within the medical profession and scientific community (OF WHICH, THERE ARE MANY) who advise against face mask use and without having to face penalties or discrimination for doing so!

The problem with mask mandates is the executive are making people submit to a measure that could ultimately make individuals or entire populations sicker, according to world-leading public health officials.

People who don't wear a face mask should not be shamed on media by public health officials/politicians saying that it shows "respect" and "care" for others when you wear a mask. A statement like that is indirect discrimination against those with physical and mental disabilities who cannot wear a mask. It has incited bullying and abuse of individuals and it is a disgraceful tactic for any health official or politician to demonise people not wearing masks. They fail to recognise those who cannot wear masks in their virtue signalling campaigns. The executive should not be endorsing this discriminatory mindset but should actively be discouraging it! "Wear one for everyone" is not Science, it is a manipulation tactic which is resulting in the isolation and marginalisation of the mask exempt.

What about those who rely on lip reading to communicate? What about the psychological health of victims of abuse and the impact on children's psychological health? Can the

executive provide any unbiased, solid scientific evidence to the public proving that non-medical mask wearing in the community prevents the spread of coronavirus or any other Virus? Are we to believe the 15 years of science reviews for planning in pandemic control which says "there's no conclusive evidence to support it", has suddenly changed and where is the proof of such a drastic change? The public deserve to see such proof! Under the freedom of information act we demand to see the "compelling evidence"! Or are we to just "mask up" and shut up?!!

WE KNOW OUR INALIENABLE HUMAN RIGHTS...

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