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‘New UAE law safeguards rights of children’

The Islamic Shariah highlights the importance of children and the necessity to look after them and their welfare so that they can reach their fullest potential in life.

The UAE follows the same by emphasizing the rights of children and their need for strong protection. It was one of the first countries in the Middle East to sign the United Nations Convention on Child Protection, and has addressed the rights of children in different existing laws ensuring that they are carried out effectively.

Last year, the UAE issued a new law, namely the Federal Law No. 3 of 2016 concerning the rights of children. The law contains around 75 articles setting out general and specific legal provisions protecting the rights of any child. **The Law and its Preamble** The law defines a child as any human being under 18 years old. Article 2 sets out the objectives that the UAE authorities hope to achieve for every child, such as their right for a safe life, development, freedom, and not to be exposed to any kind of abuse or negligence. Article 3 further asserts protecting a child against discriminatory acts

Article 4 highlights that protection of a child and the child’s interests must have priority in all decisions and procedures concerning the child. The law seeks to work with other UAE law’s that form a solid legal framework regulating the rights of children. This includes the Criminal, Cyber, Juvenile, Employment and Personal Status Laws, some of which are discussed below.

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