



RELIGION IN THE SPANISH CONSTITUTION OF 1978

SECOND CHAPTER Rights and freedoms

Article 14.- Spaniards are equal before the law and may not in any way be discriminated against on account of birth, race, sex, religion, opinion or any other personal or social condition or circumstance.

Division 1. Fundamental rights and public freedoms.

Section 16

1 .- Freedom of ideology, religion and worship of individuals and communities is guaranteed, with no other restriction on their expression than may be necessary to maintain public order as protected by law.

2.-. No one may be compelled to make statements regarding his or her ideology, religion or beliefs.



3.- No religion shall have a state character. The public authorities shall take into account the religious beliefs of Spanish society and shall consequently maintain appropriate cooperation relations with the Catholic Church and other confessions.



RELIGION IN EDUCATION

"The public authorities guarantee the right of parents to ensure that their children receive religious and moral instruction in accordance with their own convictions."

Spanish Constitution (Art. 27.3)

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Spanish Constitution (Art. 16.3)

Education shall aim at the full development of human personality with due respect for the democratic principles of coexistence and for basic rights and freedoms

Spanish Constitution (Art. 27.2)



RELIGION IN EDUCATION

Religion mustn't be used as a weapon for ideological and political battles in educative centres. Religion makes an important contribution for student's culture and education. Religion is been taken into account in the whole Europe as can be seen in the following text:

"In confronting the many challenges that the future holds in store, humankind sees in education an indispensable asset in its attempt to attain the ideals of peace, freedom and social justice. As it concludes its work, the Commission affirms its belief that education has a fundamental role to play in personal and social development. The Commission does not see education as a miracle cure or a magic formula opening the door to a world in which all ideals will be attained, but as one of the principal means available to foster a deeper and more harmonious form of human development and thereby to reduce poverty, exclusion, ignorance, oppression and war."

Report to UNESCO of the International Commission on Education for the Twenty-first Century (Delors Report)



RELIGION IN SPAIN

There are lot of persons that have no religion or are not sure to belong to any religion. This kind of population is growing in Spain.

We should add disappeared religions to this whole spectrum of religious groups. We conserve from those their writes, monuments or ideas and, they can still be important to our lifes. All this constitute an universe of religions that enable us to know better our present and our past.