

DEMOCRACY

Democracy - a political system and form of government where the source of power is the will of the majority of citizens (they exercised governments directly or through representatives).

Currently, a general form of democratic system is parliamentary democracy. The guarantor of existence of parliamentary democracy is the constitution, usually in written form.

Democracy has its origins in ancient Greece.

FREEDOM

Freedom can mean lack of personal enslavement, no restrictions from authorities (and other entities (boss, bank, school, family), and social customs and natural conditions. Politically divided notions of freedom often *freedom from* and *freedom to*. Freedom from (the negative freedom) means the absence of coercion (freedom from oppression, freedom from fear, freedom from hunger), the freedom to (or right; positive freedom), while the real possibility of making choices.

Traditional political freedoms include:

- freedom of assembly
- freedom of speech
- religious freedom
- economic freedom

EQUALITY

Equality - the category of social and political philosophy, comparing the relation between people.

We can distinguish:

HORIZONTAL EQUALITY
equal opportunities for similar people

VERTICAL EQUALITY
different treatment of different people in order to compensate for differences due to differences in education, place of origin, etc.

POLITICAL EQUALITY
all people are equal before the law.



JUSTICE

Justice - „fair, right conduct”. One of the fundamental concepts of ethical and legal meaning ascribed trait individuals (righteous person), action (righteousness) and social institutions (fair law, fair system, the fair judgment), tied mostly the relevant chapter of goods or impartiality.

The principles of electoral law are divided into: general principles and detailed ones. To the general principles of electoral law we include:

- universality of elections
- equality
- directness
- secrecy



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DEMOCRATIC VALUES

