

The AI Human Rights Screening

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Some AI systems touch a person's fundamental rights. When they do, governance is not optional and the standard is higher. This screening tells you in ten minutes whether your system crosses into rights territory.

Abbreviations and Acronyms

No prior knowledge is assumed. Every acronym used in this document is defined below.

AI: Artificial Intelligence

Why this matters (the WHY)

Public-sector bodies, regulated industries, and global organizations are increasingly held to a human-rights standard, not just a compliance checklist. A system that affects a right and was never screened for it is a reputational and legal exposure waiting to surface.

The Screening (the WHAT)

Answer yes or no. Any yes means a fuller rights assessment is warranted.

1. 1. Does the system make or shape decisions about people (hiring, credit, benefits, policing, healthcare, housing)?
2. 2. Could it disadvantage a protected or vulnerable group?
3. 3. Does it process sensitive personal data?
4. 4. Could it restrict access to a service, opportunity, or entitlement?
5. 5. Could it affect a person's privacy, dignity, or freedom of expression?
6. 6. Is the affected person unable to easily contest or appeal the outcome?
7. 7. Is the system used by or for a public authority?
8. 8. Could an error cause material harm to a person's life or livelihood?

Reading your result

- - Zero yes: Low rights exposure. Document the conclusion.
- - One to three yes: Elevated. A focused rights assessment is needed.
- - Four or more yes: High. A full Human Rights Impact Assessment is required before scaling.

Where this stops (the boundary)

This screening flags exposure. It does not conduct the assessment. The paid AI and Human Rights Impact Kit provides the full impact-assessment methodology, the mitigation register, and the public-sector pack.

Your next step: Get the [AI and Human Rights Impact Kit, Full Edition](https://www.aigovernancechain.com/storefront.html) in the Execution Library (www.aigovernancechain.com/storefront.html, section: The Core Governance Kits). Every instrument in the Execution Library is also included in the [Governance Vault](#), the all-access annual licence.

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