

Equality Card



Equality information to be completed by you, the applicant

The Scottish Legal Aid Board has to collect information to monitor equality of access of people applying for and/or receiving services paid for from the public funds we administer.

You should read the questions on this card and either:

- tell your solicitor your answers

OR

- complete the equality section yourself – it is just before you sign the application form

You don't have to answer the questions in this section. However, the answers help us find out if some groups of people are not getting legal aid.

The information you give in your answers will **NOT** be used to decide if you qualify for legal assistance.

Question 1

If you do NOT wish to answer ANY equality questions:

- put a cross at Question 1

Question 2

How would you describe your ethnic group?

Please decide which group you most identify with. Put the number of that group into the box at question 2 in the equality section of the form.

If you answered **OTHER**, if you wish you can write in a specific answer.

White

1. Scottish
2. Other British
3. Irish
4. Any other White background – if you wish you can write in a specific answer.

Mixed

5. Any Mixed background – if you wish you can write in a specific answer.

Asian, Asian Scottish or Asian British

6. Indian
7. Pakistani
8. Bangladeshi
9. Chinese
10. Any other Asian background – if you wish you can write in a specific answer.

Black, Black Scottish or Black British

11. Caribbean
12. African
13. Other Black background – if you wish you can write in a specific answer.

Other ethnic background

14. Any other background – if you wish you can write in a specific answer.

No Answer

15. I do not wish to answer this question.

Question 3

The Disability Discrimination Act defines disability as:

“a physical or mental impairment which has a substantial and long term adverse effect on a person's ability to carry out day-to-day activities.”

Do you consider yourself to have a disability?

Put a cross in one of these boxes:

- Yes
- No
- I do not wish to answer this question.

Thank you for completing these questions.

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