



# CHARTER

WEST BELFAST ANTI-RACISM CHARTER  
CAIRT FRITH-CHINÍOCHAIS IATHAR BHÉAL FEIRSTE

**“ Racism is any idea claiming racial or ethnic groups are superior or inferior and that some should dominate others. Racism includes racist ideologies, prejudiced attitudes, discriminatory laws and practices resulting in inequality as well as in anti-social beliefs and acts. ”**

Adapted from UN Declaration on Race and Racial Prejudice

**R**acism is often directed at Black people. Specific forms of racism include those targeted at Travellers, migrant workers, immigrants, Muslims, Jews, refugees and asylum seekers. Slavery, colonialism or racist immigration controls are examples of governments practising racism.

Communities, activists and others in West Belfast have a proud history of facing down discrimination, of international solidarity and anti-imperialism. We need to ensure a welcoming, intercultural community that challenges racism.

Racism occurs on a day to day basis and happens within our homes, workplaces, streets, and places of leisure. It includes racist texts, racist jokes, passing on racist views or making an instantly formed judgement about someone because of their ethnic background. Examples of racism include:

- Not letting people into a pub because they are Travellers
- Blaming migrants for jobs lost due to the 'credit crunch'
- Regarding the cultures/languages of others as primitive and expecting them to forget them and assimilate into the dominant culture
- Shouting sectarian or other racist abuse during a Celtic-Rangers game that is not going your way
- Being stopped, questioned, and expected to have ID papers by police or immigration officers when singled out because of your skin colour
- Regarding migrants labelled by governments as "illegal" (whether Irish abroad or migrants in Ireland) as less deserving of basic human rights

Organisation: .....

Condemns racism in all its forms and commits to:

- Never engaging in any racist words or actions whatsoever;
- Never to ignore the racism of others but to challenge racism wherever possible and wherever witnessed.

Signed: ..... Date: .....

**WARN (West Against Racism Network) Anti-Racism Charter proclaimed on the 21st March 2010, United Nations International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination and the 50th anniversary of the Sharpeville massacre.**





# CAIRT FHRITH

CAIRT FHRITH-CHINÍOCHAIS IARTHAR BHÉAL FEIRSTE

“ **Is é an ciníochas aon smaoineamh a mhaíonn go bhfuil grúpaí cine nó eitneacha níos uachtaraí ná níos íochtaraí agus gur chóir do chuid acu cuid eile a smachtú.**

**Cuimsíonn an ciníochas idé-eolaíochta, ciníocha, dearcaí claonta, dlíthe leatromacha agus cleachtais a bhfuil éagothroime chomh maith le creidiúintí agus gnímh fhrith-shóisialta mar thoradh orthu.** ”

oiriúnaithe ó Dhearbhú na NA um Chine agus Chlaontacht Chine

Is minic a dhírítear ciníochas ar dhaoine gorma. I measc na sáinchineálacha ciníochais tá iad siúd atá dírithe ar an lucht siúil, oibrithe imirceacha, inimircigh, Moslamaigh, Giúdaigh, teifigh agus lucht iarrtha tearmainn. Tá sclábhaíocht, coilíneachas nó rialuithe imirce ciníocha ann mar shamplaí de rialtais ag cleachtadh ciníochais.

Tá stair bhródúil ag comhphobail, gníomhaigh agus daoine eile in Iarthar Bhéal Feirste as dlúthpháirtíocht idirnáisiúnta, as frith-impiriúlachas agus as an fhód a sheasamh in éadan an leatrom. Caithfidh muid comhphobal fial idirchultúrtha a chinntiú a thugann dúshlán don chiníochas.

Tarlaíonn an ciníochas ar bhonn laethúil agus tarlaíonn inár dtithe, ár n-áiteanna oibre, ár sráideanna, agus ár n-ionaid fhóillíochta. Cuimsíonn sé téacsanna ciníocha, magadh ciníoch, dearcadh ciníoch a chur ar aghaidh nó tuairim láithreach a dhéanamh faoi dhuine mar gheall ar a gcúlra eitneach. I measc samplaí den chiníochas tá:

- Gan ligean le daoine teacht isteach i dteacht tábhairne de bhrí gur den lucht siúil iad.
- Ar cur an locht ar imircigh as postanna a cailleadh mar gheall ar an 'ghéarchor creidmheasa'
- Ag breith go bhfuil cultúir/teangacha dhaoine eile primitibheach agus ag dúil leo dearmad a dhéanamh orthu agus comhshamlú isteach sa chultúr cheannasach
- Ag tabhairt drochíde béil seicteach nó ciníoch le linn cluiche idir na Ceiltigh agus na Raonaithe nach bhfuil de do shásamh
- Bheith stoptha, ceistithe ag póilíní nó oifigigh inimirce, agus iad ag súil go mbeidh páipéir aitheantas ort mar gheall ar dhath do chraicinn
- Ag meas gur lú na bunchearta daonna atá ag imircigh a bhfuil "mídhleathach" de réir lipéid rialtais (is cuma cé acu Éireannaigh thar lear nó inimircigh in Éirinn iad)

Ainm eagrais: .....

Cáinte an ciníochas i ngach cruth agus tiomnaíonn:

- Gan focal ciníoch ar bith a rá ná gníomh ciníoch ar bith a dhéanamh;
- Gan neamhaird a dhéanamh de chiníochas dhaoine eile, ach dúshlán a thabhairt don chiníochas nuair is féidir agus nuair a thugtar faoi deara é;

Sínithe: ..... Dáta: .....

Cairt Fhrith-Chiníochais WARN (Líonra an Iarthair i gCoinne an Chiníochais) fógartha  
21ú Márta 2010, Lá Idirnáisiúnta na Náisiún Aontaithe um Dhíobhadh Leatromí Chiníoch agus  
comóradh 50ú bliain ar Ár Sharpeville.

