

CONSTITUTIONAL SCORECARD

An assessment of the [Draft Constitution of Zimbabwe released January 2013](#)

This scorecard is a snapshot view, to allow readers a quick analysis on the progress the Constitutional Select Committee (COPAC) draft constitution has made on critical issues that will shape Zimbabwe's transition. The Constitution is graded according to its proximity to a democratic ideal. The analysis also indicates whether the final version is an improvement on a) the Lancaster House Constitution and b) the July COPAC draft.

SECTION & TITLE	UNDEMOCRATIC	SHORT OF THE DEMOCRATIC IDEAL	AS CLOSE TO THE DEMOCRATIC IDEAL AS POSSIBLE	IMPROVEMENT ON THE LANCASTER HOUSE CONSTITUTION?	IMPROVEMENT ON THE JULY 2012 DRAFT CONSTITUTION?
Preamble				Yes	No
Chapter 1: Founding Provisions				Yes	No
Chapter 2: National Objectives				Yes	No
Chapter 3: Citizenship				Yes	No
Chapter 4: Declaration of Rights				Yes	No
Chapter 5: Executive Authority				No	No
Chapter 6: The Legislature				Yes	No
Chapter 7: Elections				No	No
Chapter 8: Judiciary & Courts				Yes	No
Chapter 9: Principles of Public Administration & Leadership				Yes	No
Chapter 10: Civil Service				No	No
Chapter 11: Security Services				Yes	No
Chapter 12: Independent Commissions Supporting Democracy				Yes	Yes
Chapter 13: Institutions to Combat Corruption & Crime				Yes	No
Chapter 14: Provincial & Local Government				Yes	Yes
Chapter 15: Traditional Leaders				Yes	No
Chapter 16: Agricultural Land				No	Yes
Chapter 17: Finance				Yes	No
Chapter 18: General & Supplementary Provisions				Yes	No

Referendum for Citizens to vote on the Draft Constitution is planned for **16 March 2013**. You will be asked to vote Yes or No.

For more detailed analysis on the COPAC constitution, please see recent analysis to be found at:

Idasa's Constitutional Resources Page http://www.idasa.org/our_work/zimbabwe_constitutional_reform/

Research and Advocacy Unit <http://www.researchandadvocacyunit.org/>

Zimbabwe Lawyer's for Human Rights http://www.kubatana.net/docs/hr/zlhr_analysis_copac_final_draft_130212.pdf

