

Australian National Imams Council

Uniting the Imams and the Community in Australia

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Registered as a public company, ANIC was established in late 2006 as an umbrella organisation consisting of a Council of Imams, representing each Australian state and territory.

ANIC seeks to unite the Councils of Imams of Australian States and Territories in order to streamline the activities of scholars in Australia, to better serve the diverse Australian Muslim community throughout the nation.

ANIC is governed by a General Assembly on the executive board, solely elected by the board's members. At the Councils' inaugural General Assembly Meeting held in March 2006, the ANIC executive board of 18 members representing all states and territories were elected for a three-year term.

A key resolution passed at the inaugural AGM empowered the executive board to elect and appoint the position of The Grand Mufti of Australia. The Australian National Imams Council (ANIC) is the only central, Islamic body that holds key representation from Australian-based Muslim Imams and Clerics.



The mission of ANIC is to provide religious leadership, rulings and services to the Muslim community of Australia. ANIC endevours to support the local Islamic community in all areas, by fostering good relations with other religious communities and the wider Australian society, in an effort to promote harmony, cooperation and successful integration within mainstream society.



The vision of the ANIC is to be a leading body representing mainstream Islam in Australia. ANIC aims to utilise the skills, qualifications and expertise of Imams and Islamic scholars to promote and contribute to the betterment of the Australian Muslim community and the wider Australian society at large.

Our Mission



ANIC is currently the sole national body of Imams and Islamic Scholars with a broad community representation. This places the Council in a unique position to officially represent the wider interests of the Australian Muslim Community. The ANIC members are involved in the day-to-day affairs of the Muslim community and in addressing and assisting in the affairs and concerns of the growing Muslim community. **Council of Imams ACT**

Board of Imams VIC

ANIC Executive Committee Representation







Australian Fatwa

The Australian Fatwa Council was established by the Australian National Imams Council as a division focusing on regulating and overseeing religious verdicts; these are in line with the orthodox Islamic tradition.

The Fatwa Council is chaired by the Mufti of Australia along with qualified Imams from all Australian states with mainstream Islamic school of thoughts. This is further supported with the assistance of professional advice from the relevant parties, experts, professionals, academics etc.

Our Objective

Muslim community.

Islamic verdicts and research on contemporary and general religious matters.

Issuing Fatwas concerning the

Religious and spiritual guidance to preserve the Islamic identity and its concomitant practices.

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ANIC Halal Authority

ANIC Halal Authority is a subsidiary company of the Australian National Imams Council (ANIC) with a vast experience in Halal certification. It is managed by a renowned and well-respected team of Islamic Scholars and experts in food science and technology. ANIC Halal Authority is registered and approved by the Department of Agriculture and Water Resources Australia as well as major International Halal Agencies.





Our Vision

To become a trustworthy, reliable and influential Halal Certifying organisation in Australia that is recognised nationally and internationally.

Our Mission

To ensure that all Halal certified products and premises are in strict compliance with Islamic principles and lawful for Muslims to consume and use.

Our Objective

To examine, certify, and regulate all food products and consumer products in an efficient and effective manner so as to guarantee that it complies with Halal requirements as required by Shariah.



Centre for Arbitration & the Resolution of Disputes

The Australian National Imams Council has developed the Centre for Arbitration and the Resolution Disputes Ltd (CARD). CARD is a service to assist people in the Islamic Communities of Australia by facilitating the resolution of marital disputes. CARD facilitates Islamic mediation and arbitration to assist and advise both parties to identify the more appropriate process for the resolution of dispute/s in accordance with Islamic Law and in consistency with the Australian legal system.





During this sensitive stage CARD is aware of the emotional toll placed on families, therefore consultation sessions are conducted in a private setting to maintain client confidentiality. All sessions are conducted in the presence of three respectable Imams whom are qualified in the area of Islamic Arbitration and Resolution Dispute, and a female administrator.



This service is available in English and Arabic. CARD emphasises professionalism, impartiality and confidentiality.



Marriage Reconciliation



Mediation & Arbitration



Australian Islamic **Education Services**

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Australian Islamic Education Services (AIES) is a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to the provision of services in the Islamic education sector, with a specific focus on the provision of Islamic related instruction in Public Schools through various approved programs.

AIES' organisation and activities are targeted towards the provision of Islamic Education services. Activities involve research and development of Islamic education content and resources, training and development of staff, delivery of Islamic sermons and instruction and the observance of Islamic holidays and rituals.





What is SRE?

Special Religious Education (SRE) is education provided to students in NSW public schools by authorised representatives of approved religious groups to students who have nominated that religion. These classes are commonly known as "scripture".

AIES offers an educational program dedicated to providing Islamic education to Muslim students in NSW Public Schools. AIES is an approved Special Religious Islamic Education provider with the Department of Education and Communities.

What we Teach?

The Pillars of Islam:

Profession v vof Faith Five Daily Prayers Alms-Giving Fasting during Ramadan Pilgrimage to Mecca

The Pills of Iman (belief): The belief in angels The belief in the holy books

- The belief in a transcendent and omnipotent Creator
- The belief in the Messengers and Prophets
- The belief in the Judgement day
- The belief in the predestination of God.



Islamophobia

Australia

Report Islamophobia

Islamophobia Australia was founded by the Australian National Imams Council, a peak body that represents the interests of Muslims in Australia. Our primary objective is to provide Australian Muslims with a platform where their voices are heard, whereby any Islamophobic / anti-muslim sentiment incident(s) they have experienced or witnessed are recorded, published and followed up on with the relevant authorities.

The reporting of Islamophobic / anti-muslim incidents also plays a key role in advocating and lobbying for legislative protections for minority communities on a state and national level.





Our mission is to stand against any anti-Muslim sentiment and play our part in making Australia a safe place for not just the Muslim community but also for minority communities. We hope to change the narrative and present to the broader public the real and authentic version of Australian Muslims who are often misrepresented both locally and globally. Such misrepresentations have been counter productive in delivering peace, harmony and tolerance within the Australian community.

Here are some examples of Islamophobic / anti-muslim incidents that you can report:

- Violent life-threatening attack on a Muslim.
- A physical attack that doesn't pose a life-threat.
- Destruction of property resulting in financial loss.
- Hate speech or verbal abuse on any online or offline platform.
- Discrimination against Muslims across private and public settings.

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Public Transport Incidents	Online Harrasme
Discrimination at work/School	Property Damag

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Verbal/Physical Attacks



Hate Posts or Emails online



ANIC Advisory Team

ANIC diligently seeks experts and professional advice to ensure informed decision-making for the betterment of the community.



Bilal Rauf Senior Legal Advisor & Media Spokesperson



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ANIC Women's Advisory Council (AWAC)

ANIC Women's Advisory Council (AWAC) aims to strive and maintain a stronger connection with the peak body Australian National Imams Council (ANIC), its member Imams and Australian Muslim Women leaders and prominent Muslim community members. The objective of the advisory Council is to proactively hear the concerns, feedback, and suggestions from the council members for what is in the best interest of the wider Australian Muslim community.

We aim to facilitate strategic coordination and sustained communication between Muslim women, Australian imams and other key stakeholders to bring about informed and constructive change within our immediate and wider communities.

ANIC has over 250 member Imams united together to assist the community.

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ANIC strives towards preserving the Islamic identity and the best interest of the Muslim community in Australia



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