



CHILD ONLINE PROTECTION



BAHRAIN

- National Legislation
- National Strategy or Policy
- UN Convention
- UN Protocol
- Institutional Support
- Reporting Mechanism

BACKGROUND

Total Population: 1 359 000

(data source: [United Nations Statistics Division](#), December 2012)

Internet users, percentage of population: 88%

(data source: [ITU Statistics](#), December 2012)

Internet users age 15-24: 146 778

Internet user age 25-74: 572 251

(Composition by age available for the country answered ITU survey; data source: internal ITU statistics, December 2012)

UN CONVENTION

- Acceded, with no declarations or reservations to articles 16, 17(e) and 34(c), to the [Convention on the Rights of Child](#).

UN PROTOCOL

- Acceded, with no declarations or reservations to articles 2 and 3, the [Optional Protocol to The Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography](#).

INSTITUTIONAL SUPPORT

- [The National Centre for Child Protection \(*\)](#), under the Ministry of Social Development, is the governmental organ responsible assessing and following up children's rights together with other governmental organs. It has no specific policy on online protection.
- [The Telecommunications Regulatory Authority\(*\)](#) provides information for child online protection on its space for [Safe Surf](#). It has launched a [Report](#) on the state of internet safety in the kingdom. It also organizes lectures in schools to help parents and teachers understand the online safety issues which affect children.