

My Dating Bill of Rights

I HAVE THE RIGHT:

- To trust myself and my instincts
- To ask for a date
- To refuse a date
- To suggest activities
- To refuse activities, even if my partner is excited about them
- To express my emotions and have them respected
- To be respected as a person
- To disagree
- To change my mind
- To have a partner who is faithful
- To have my limits respected
- To tell my partner I want affection
- To be listened to
- To be cared about
- To refuse sex with anyone, any time
- To not be hit, slapped or shoved
- To not be humiliated in public or private
- To break up with someone who hurts me, even though I love them
- To break up with someone who hurts me, even though they love me
- To ask for help if I need it

I HAVE THE RESPONSIBILITY:

- To determine my limits
- To respect other people's limits
- To communicate clearly, honestly, if it is safe
- To take care of myself
- To ask for help if I need it

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