

About us

The world of humanity is, in a sense, a world of identities, and those who do not have an identity have no trace and window. Based on the fact and necessity, Kurdshop wants to bring language, literature, geography, shared history, culture, art, and all components of our nation's identity from one window so that Kurdish identity becomes more visible.

In the lack of a Kurdish government, due to the policy of systematic dissolution by the enemies of Kurds, all the areas have not been given enough concern and have received very little attention. Therefore, we do not have a unified language, our literary history has not been completely collected, and our fragmented geography and land are unknown to most of the people of this country, a large part of our history has been written by our opponents and enemies and is distorted, and our rich culture is fading in national dissolution and assimilation and cultural attacks. Our monuments are being looted and our art is not given enough attention.

In such a situation, as a national duty to preserve the historical, cultural, and social wealth in Kurdistan, Kurdshop decided to introduce Kurds, in any part of Kurdistan and diaspora, to their great national cultural wealth and also to foreigners in all these areas of Kurdistan, in the first step in Kurdish, both Kurmanji and Sorani dialects, and then the English Language. Kurdshop makes this website a platform to reflect the values of Kurdish society.

Nowadays, the digital world has provided an opportunity for stateless nations to express their identity more. In this regard, Kurdshop is the Kurdish window in the wide world.

Kurdshop is a non-governmental organization registered in Erbil, the capital of the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. It has started its work with the efforts and cooperation of volunteers from all parts of Kurdistan to serve the Kurdish language, history, and culture, and provide reliable news and information with the support of Kurdish writers, researchers, artists, directors, and activists in all parts of Kurdistan. It hopes to be able to collect and preserve Kurdish spiritual wealth in Kurdshop and pass it on to the people of the world and future generations.

Kurdshop website aims to become an archive and reliable source for all kinds of information on history, language, geography, traditions, culture, art, archeology, and any other field related to the lives of the Kurds.

In this way, we look forward to the cooperation of all Kurdish compassionates and those concerned about Kurds to gather with us.



“Kurdshop” Organization to Promote Kurdish Language, History, Culture,
and Art

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Programs and policies of “Kurdshop” Organization

Section 1

Name, Logo, and Identity of the organization

Article 1

First/ The name of the organization in Kurdish, Arabic, and English:

ریکخراوی "کوردشۆپ" بو خزمەت بە زمان، میژوو، چان د/کەلتور و هونەری کوردی
منظمة "کوردشۆپ" لخدمة اللغة، التاريخ، الثقافة والفنون الكوردية

KURDSHOP Organization to promote Kurdish language, history, culture, and art

Second/ The short form of the organization’s name is “Kurdshop”, and the full and shortened logo for Media is:



Third/ The symbol and logo of “Kurdshop” Organization is known in Latin Kurdish Alphabet as “KURDŞOP”, which is written in white on a red background. The motto of the organization is:

“Our culture is our identity”

Fourth/ The identity of the organization:

“Kurdshop” Organization is an independent, private non-profit organization established based on the formal and legal basic laws of the Kurdistan Regional Government for civil society organizations. Kurdshop Organization wants to support and serve the citizens of Kurdistan to improve language, culture, history, art, and Kurdish historical sites of Kurdistan

based on democratic culture and social peace without social, gender, religious, and geographical discrimination.

Article 2/ Place of activity and address:

The main office of Kurdshop Organization will be established in Erbil, the Capital of Kurdistan region, and if possible, the organization may open more branches in other cities of Kurdistan or abroad based on official laws.

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Section 2

The purposes and how to work and achieve the goals

Article 3/ The purposes and how to work

First/ The purposes of the organization:

Adhering to the official laws of Kurdistan Region and protection of the public and major interests of Kurdistan are the main responsibilities of the Kurdshop Organization. The following goals are the basis of our work and we want to achieve them in a peaceful and civil way:

- Try to perceive and stimulate emotions of different levels of Kurdistan society for their identity, culture, and national and patriotic values.
- Spread the culture of tolerance and coexistence to respect the differences and peaceful coexistence of all religious, social, dialectical, gender, and ideological parties without any violence in Kurdish society.
- Prepare documentation and develop national wealth for history, language, culture, art, music, folklore, and historic places.
- Produce documentary, drama, movie, clip, cartoon for children, Kurdish language courses, and specific programs in Kurdish and publish them on social media to raise awareness, improve national identity, introduce geography and the glory of our homeland inside the region and around the world.

Second/ How to work:

With civil and peaceful ways, we do the following points as our basic work:

- Attempt to hold seminars and educational courses on language, culture, art, and history.
- Discussion with linguistics, artists, historians, and recording and sharing the videos on social media to be accessible for everyone's benefit.
- Filming and production of films, short films, recorded videos of cinema artists, singers, musicians and dance groups (Heparke) and publishing them on social media.

Section 3

The working principles

Article 4/ The working principles of organization

- Adhere to the international basic human rights laws.
- Follow the laws of the Kurdistan Region and uphold the public and major interests of the Kurdistan Region.
- Adhere to democratic culture, accept different groups in Kurdistan and save social peace.
- Follow the paths of citizens activities.

Note:

- The branches outside the Kurdistan Region will follow the principles of the places where they work at.

Section 4

Membership in the organization and the conditions

Article 5/ Membership:

- From the legal age (18), without limitation of gender, religion, nation, and geography, any person who wishes to volunteer in Kurdshop Organization based on the internal rules of the Organization can work towards its goals, be a member and an activist in Kurdshop organization.

- In addition to individuals, artistic groups and cultural organizations can also be members of the Kurdshop Organization.

Note: The admission or expulsion of a member is controlled by the administration department.

Article 6/ Conditions of membership:

- Completion of the legal age (18)
- Apply for membership in the organization with an official letter.
- Accept the goals of the Kurdshop Organization and try to achieve them.
- Do not ask for a salary for their activities. - Follow the general principles of the organization,
- Pay the membership fees.

Section 5

The rights and obligations of the members

Article 7/ Obligations of the members:

- Respect all the cultural, dialectic, religious, social, and gender values in the society of Kurdistan without any discrimination and work to achieve the goals of Kurdshop.
- Carry out the activities of the organization based on the specific area.

- Try to expand the connection network and find supporting sources for Kurdshop.
- Be trustworthy to protect assets and technology and keep the secrets of the organization.
- Undertake to pay monthly membership fees.

Article 8/ Member's rights:

- Will own a special identity of the organization.
- Have the right to attend the meetings of the organization, express opinions, ask questions and receive answers.
- Have the right to vote in the meetings of the organization according to the rules of the organization.
- Have the right to complain about the decisions of the managers and the organization.
- The member has the right to be informed about the activities of the organization.
- Have the right to get tasks in the organization.
- Have the right to intangible reward and appreciation.
- Have the right to withdraw from the organization, a formal letter should be given.

Section 6 Disobedience and

Punishments

Article 9/ Offences:

- Use the organization's property and credibility for personal gain.
- Make administrative problems among the employees of the organization.
- Failure to comply with the organization's rules and programs and jeopardizing the validity of the organization.
- Intentionally and repeatedly fails to attend the organization's meetings.
- Disregard for the laws of the Kurdistan Region and the administrative decisions of private organizations.
- Failure to comply with the laws of the countries in which the organization is based.
- Waste of assets, abuse of trust and property of the organization or proven disobedience, the member will be penalized according to the laws of the country where the violence took place.

Article 10/ The established penalties for the member:

- Verbal warning punishment
- Punishment with warning
- Suspension
- Cancel Membership Rights

Membership in the organization will be forcibly terminated in the following situations:

- When the member takes action against a law that affects the validity of the organization.

- If the member has contact with terrorist groups and violates human rights laws.

Note:

- If the member does not follow the rules and policies of the organization, fails to pay the monthly dues, squanders the assets and property of the organization, abuses the validity of the organization, or engages in any other unlawful conduct, the membership right will be terminated by the votes of the Majority of the Administrative Department (50 + 1).

Section 7

Organizational structure and working methods

Article 11/ The structure of the organization includes:

First/ Founders Council: It includes at least 5 people who are the founders of the organization.

Second/ General board: It includes all members of the organization.

Third/ Board of Directors: It includes the President, Vice President, and Managers.

Article 12/ The authorities of the Founders Council:

The Founders Council consists of at least 5 members who are responsible for founding the organization.

1. Dissolution of the organization by a vote of 50 + 1 of the Founders Council.
2. Submission of proposals to the Board of Directors.
3. Evaluate and track the organization's activities.

Article 13/ The authorities of General Board:

General Board comprises all members who have the right to membership and who can vote and stand for election.

General Board can elect the president, the vice-president, the managing directors and 2 other members in a secret and free ballot.

Article 14/ Board of Directors and its authorities:

First/ Board of Directors includes:

1. The president of the organization 2.

The vice president of the organization

3. The office managers.

Second/ The authorities of Board of Directors:

1. The Board of Directors is responsible for the administration and economy of the association within the framework of two elections.
2. It can join another organization or form a network with majority of members (50+1).
3. Prepare projects, write them, accept them, and choose representatives to sign the contracts.
4. The Board of Directors may open new branches in other cities within or near the Kurdistan Region at the suggestion of majority of the members.
5. The Board of Directors can dissolve the organization or change its name and logo with the decision of (50+1) members.
6. The Board of Directors can change or edit the Rules of Procedure of the Organization with the decision of (50+1) of the Members.

Article 15/ The authorities of the president:

1. Guides the Directors, signs the letters, and has the right to decide the contracts of the organization.
2. Manages the branches of the organization and divides their responsibilities.

Article 16/ The authorities of the Vice President:

The Vice President does the President's work during his absence for any reason or his/her dismissal.

Section 8

The organization's income

Article 17/ The sources of income of the organization:

- The material and non-material help of the Kurdistan Regional Government or other internal and international parties to improve the projects of the organization.
- The income from the use of the organization's property in the permitted productive activities.
- Earnings from the organization's products on YouTube, TV and social media ads.
- The monthly contributions of the members of the organization.

Article 18/ The documents of the organization:

- Members' names and information documents contain the list of all members who have structural activities in the organization.
- The Decision Document contains all documents and decisions related to the Founders Council and the Board of Directors that guide and regulate the work of the organization.
- The accounting slip contains all income, expenses, and the rest of the budget, which can be relied on according to modern accounting.
- The base document includes all official and authorized documents of the organization approved by the organization or officially sent to the

organization and recorded based on the laws of the NGOs of the Kurdistan Region.

Cancellation of the organization

Article 19/ Termination of the organization

First/ Desired termination

In the event of a desired termination, this will take place based on the rules of procedure with the consent of 50+1 of the members of the Founders Council or with the consent of 50+1 of the Board of Directors.

Second/ undesired termination

In the case of undesired termination of the association, this is done by decision of the court of First Instance at the registered office of the association. In this case, the property (movable or immovable) will be treated according to Article 17 Part 1.2 of the Law No. 1 of the Parliament of Kurdistan of 2011.