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The legal rule.

A legal rule, or law, is one which has been officially approved by a state's legislative body. Legal rules are interpreted by courts who decide cases brought before them and may impose sanctions upon those who violate these rules. Legal rules differ from non-legal rules, such as customs or conventions.

In this chapter, we will look at certain legal terms in the field of ; Definition of a legal rule, Characteristics of the legal rule, Divisions of legal rule.

- ✚ **Definition.**
- ✚ **Characteristics.**
- ✚ **Divisions.**

1. Definition

Legal Rule means any applicable statute, ordinance, code or other law, rule, regulation or order enacted, adopted, promulgated or applied by any Governmental Authority of competent jurisdiction.

legal rule is a letter addressed to persons, and it is general, abstract, permanent and binding. It governs the behavior of individuals and regulates their relations in various areas of social life.

2. Characteristics

The legal rule has three basic characteristics:

- It governs the behavior of the individual in society.
- general and abstract.
- Obligatory for individuals.

3. Divisions

The legal rules are divided into :

- written and unwritten rules.
- substantive and formal rules.
- peremptory rules and complementary rules.

المصطلحات بالعربية	English terms
عامة ومجردة	General and abstract
دائمة	Always
ملزمة	Obligatory
قاعدة سلوك اجتماعي	Social behavior rule
الجزاء المدني	Civil penalty
الجزاء الجنائي	Criminal penalty
الجزاء الإداري	Administrative penalty
قواعد قانونية مكتوبة	Written legal rules
قواعد قانونية غير مكتوبة	Unwritten legal rules
قواعد قانونية موضوعية	Objective legal rules
قواعد قانونية شكلية	Formal legal rules
قواعد قانونية آمرة	Peremptory legal rules
قواعد قانونية مكملة	Complementary legal rules
النظام العام والآداب العامة	Public order and public morals
مصالح الخاصة للأفراد	Private interests of individuals