

UN CRC	Ratification Date	Care-Related Concluding Observations
	26 Apr 1994	CRC/C/MOZ/CO/3-4
		27 November 2019
		https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/ layouts/15/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=CRC%2fC%2fMOZ% 2fCO%2f3-4⟪=en
		III. Main areas of concern and recommendations
		B. General principles (arts. 2, 3, 6 and 12)
		Non-discrimination
		16. Noting with concern the persistent patterns of discrimination against children in disadvantaged or vulnerable situations, the Committee reiterates its previous recommendations (CRC/C/MOZ/CO/2, para. 30) and recommends that the State party:
		(a) Strengthen its efforts to eliminate discrimination against groups of children in disadvantaged or vulnerable situations, especially girls, children with disabilities, children with albinism, children in street situations, children living in rural areas, children of unmarried parents and asylum-seeking and refugee children;
		D. Violence against children (arts. 19, 24 (3), 28 (2), 34, 37 (a) and 39)
		Corporal punishment



Country Care Review: Mozambique

25. Noting with deep concern the extensive use of corporal punishment and the application of legal provisions that are interpreted as justification for such forms of discipline, the Committee reiterates its previous recommendations (CRC/C/MOZ/CO/2, para. 48) and urges the State party: (a) To prioritize the explicit prohibition, through legislative and administrative measures, of corporal punishment in all settings, including in the home, in schools and in day-care and alternative care settings;
E. Family environment and alternative care (arts. 5, 9–11, 18 (1) and (2), 20, 21, 25 and 27 (4))
Children deprived of a family environment
30. Drawing the State party's attention to the Guidelines for the Alternative Care of Children (see General Assembly resolution 64/142, annex), the Committee recommends that the State party: (a) Implement, enforce and raise awareness of the regulation on alternative care (decree No. 33/2015) and expedite the establishment of a national registry of alternative care; (b) Address the reasons why children are separated from their families through programmes that support and strengthen families in their caregiving role; (c) Direct efforts towards enabling children to remain in or return to the care of their parents or, when appropriate, other family members, by ensuring that parents and other family members have access to support in their caregiving role and are able to provide safe, stable and nurturing care for their children, including through child-sensitive social protection policies and services; (d) Phase out institutionalization by adopting a concrete plan that includes the systemic transformation of the childcare and protection system and an intersectoral approach to ensuring that funds are redirected to community-based services; (e) Ensure the registration and inspection of existing alternative care centres for children in accordance with the regulation on residential care facilities (decree No. 278/2010), ensure that such centres are transformed into small-group settings as close as possible to a family situation and provide an independent monitoring system and accessible channels for reporting and responding to the maltreatment of children;



(f) Ensure adequate safeguards and clear criteria, based on the needs and the best interests of the
child, for determining when it may be necessary to provide residential care, and ensure also that
such care is used as a temporary measure and is accompanied by regular reviews of the affected
child's situation.

F. Disability, basic health and welfare (arts. 6, 18 (3), 23, 24, 26, 27 (1)–(3) and 33)

Children with disabilities

31. While welcoming the strategy on inclusive education for children with disabilities 2018–2027, the Committee is concerned about stigmatization and discrimination against children with disabilities and their limited access to education and social assistance, and recommends that the State party adopt a human rightsbased approach to disability and that it set up a comprehensive strategy to eliminate discrimination against children with disabilities. It also recommends that the State party:

(d) Invest in reasonable accommodations to ensure the full inclusion of children with disabilities in all areas of public life, such as leisure activities, community-based care and social housing, and their access to basic services, including health-care services;

•••

H. Special protection measures (arts. 22, 30, 32, 33, 35, 36, 37 (b)–(d), 38–40)

Asylum-seeking and refugee children

- 43. Recalling joint general comments No. 3 and No. 4 (2017) of the Committee on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families/No. 22 and No. 23 (2017) of the Committee on the Rights of the Child on the human rights of children in the context of international migration, the Committee recommends that the State party:
 - (a) Ensure that asylum procedures systematically identify and refer unaccompanied or separated children to appropriate protection and support services; facilitate these children's access to services such as education and health care; and ensure that best interests assessments are carried



Country Care Review: Mozambique

out at all stages of the procedures, including by ensuring safety and security for asylum-seeking and refugee children in camps;

- (b) Ensure that all the children living in Maratane refugee camp have full access to the existing child protection system, including education and health services;
- (c) Consider withdrawing all of its reservations to the 1951 Convention relating to the Status of Refugees.

Children in street situations

- 45. Drawing attention to its general comment No. 21 (2017) on children in street situations, the Committee reiterates its previous recommendations (CRC/C/MOZ/CO/2, para. 83) and recommends that the State party:
 - (a) Conduct a comprehensive study to assess the scope, nature and root causes of the presence of children in street situations in order to develop a national strategy and plan of action, with the participation of children, to support such children;
 - (b) Ensure that children in street situations are provided with educational opportunities, counselling and family reintegration services.

Country Report

CRC/C/MOZ/3-4 21 November 2018

https://tbinternet.ohchr.org/ layouts/15/treatybodyexternal/Download.aspx?symbolno=CRC%2fC%2fMOZ% 2f3-4&Lang=en



OPSC to CRC	Accession Date 6 Mar 2003	Care-Related Concluding Observations
OPAC to CRC	Accession Date 19 Oct 2004	Care-Related Concluding Observations
ICCPR	Accession Date 21 Jul 1993	Care-Related Concluding Observations
ICESCR	Ratification Date N/A	Care-Related Concluding Observations
CEDAW	Accession Date 21 Apr 1997	Care-Related Concluding Observations
CRPD	Ratification Date 30 Jan 2012	Care-Related Concluding Observations
UPR	Date of Consideration 19 Jan 2016	Link to Page https://www.ohchr.org/EN/HRBodies/UPR/Pages/MZindex.aspx
Hague Intercountry Adoption	Ratification Date	Link to Country Profile
	N/A	N/A



Country Care Review: Mozambique

Acronyms and Abbreviations:

CEDAW Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women CRC Convention on the Rights of the Child/Committee on the Rights of the Child

CRPD Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities
ICCRP International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights

ICESCR International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights

OPAC to CRC Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Involvement of Children in Armed Conflict

OPSC to CRC Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the Sale of Children, Child Prostitution and Child Pornography

UN United Nations

UPR Universal Periodic Review