Need another word that means the same as “law”? Find 74 synonyms and 30 related words for “law” in this overview.

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The synonyms of “Law” are: practice of law, natural law, jurisprudence, constabulary, police, police force, law of nature, rules and regulations, system of laws, body of laws, constitution, legislation, code, charter, regulation, statute, enactment, act, bill, decree, edict, rule, ruling, resolution, promulgation, measure, motion, dictum, command, order, stipulation, commandment, directive, pronouncement, ratification, proclamation, dictate, diktat, fiat, covenant, demand, the bar, barristers and solicitors collectively, the police, the officers of the law, the forces of law and order, law-enforcement officers, police officers, policemen, the police force, principle, convention, direction, instruction, guideline, practice, fact, verity, certainty, certitude, precept, injunction, prescription, standard, criterion, belief, creed, credo, ethic, maxim, formula, tenet, doctrine, canon

Law as a Noun

Definitions of "Law" as a noun

According to the Oxford Dictionary of English, “law” as a noun can have the following definitions:

- *The system of rules which a particular country or community recognizes as regulating the actions of its members and which it may enforce by the imposition of penalties.*
- *The learned profession that is mastered by graduate study in a law school and that is responsible for the judicial system.*
- *A statement of fact, deduced from observation, to the effect that a particular natural or scientific phenomenon always occurs if certain conditions are present.*
- *A rule defining correct procedure or behaviour in a sport.*

- *The Pentateuch as distinct from the other parts of the Hebrew Bible (the Prophets and the Writings).*
- *The branch of philosophy concerned with the law and the principles that lead courts to make the decisions they do.*
- *The force of policemen and officers.*
- *A generalization that describes recurring facts or events in nature.*
- *Statute law and the common law.*
- *The body of divine commandments as expressed in the Bible or other religious texts.*
- *The precepts of the Pentateuch.*
- *The collection of rules imposed by authority.*
- *Legal document setting forth rules governing a particular kind of activity.*
- *A rule or body of rules of conduct inherent in human nature and essential to or binding upon human society.*
- *An individual rule as part of a system of law.*
- *Systems of law as a subject of study or as the basis of the legal profession.*
- *The police.*
- *A generalization based on a fact or event perceived to be recurrent.*
- *Something regarded as having binding force or effect.*

Synonyms of "Law" as a noun (74 Words)

act	A document attesting a legal transaction. *He put on quite an **act** for her benefit.*
barristers and solicitors collectively	A British or Canadian lawyer who speaks in the higher courts of law on behalf of either the defense or prosecution.
belief	A vague idea in which some confidence is placed. *Contrary to popular **belief** existing safety regulations were adequate.*
bill	A list of particulars as a playbill or bill of fare. *He paid his **bill** and left.*
body of laws	The property of holding together and retaining its shape.
canon	A general law, rule, principle, or criterion by which something is judged. *A set of ecclesiastical **canon**s.*

certainty	A person that is certain to do or win the specified thing. *The passing of the act made a general election a **certainty**.*
certitude	Absolute certainty or conviction that something is the case. *The question may never be answered with **certitude**.*
charter	A contract to hire or lease transportation. *The standard set by the patient s **charter**.*
code	A coding system used for transmitting messages requiring brevity or secrecy. *A stern **code** of honour.*
command	The power or authority to command. *He had a brilliant **command** of English.*
commandment	Something that is commanded. *She had followed her mother s **commandment**s for long enough.*
constabulary	A police force covering a particular area or city. *The Royal Irish **Constabulary**.*
constitution	The constitution written at the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia in 1787 and subsequently ratified by the original thirteen states. *The **constitution** of a PTA group last year.*
convention	Orthodoxy as a consequence of being conventional. *The law is felt to express social **convention**s.*
covenant	An agreement which brings about a relationship of commitment between God and his people The Jewish faith is based on the biblical covenants made with Abraham Moses and David. *There was a **covenant** between them that her name was never to be mentioned.*
credo	A musical setting of the Nicene Creed, typically as part of a mass. *He announced his **credo** in his first editorial.*
creed	A set of beliefs or aims which guide someone's actions. *Liberalism was more than a political **creed**.*
criterion	A basis for comparison; a reference point against which other things can be evaluated. *They award a green label to products that meet certain environmental criteria.*
decree	The issuing of a decree. *The king ruled by **decree**.*

demand	The act of demanding. *His **demand**s for attention were unceasing.*
dictate	An order or principle that must be obeyed. *The **dictate**s of fashion.*
dictum	A formal pronouncement from an authoritative source. *The old **dictum** might is right.*
diktat	An order or decree imposed by someone in power without popular consent. *A **diktat** from the Bundestag.*
direction	Something that provides direction or advice as to a decision or course of action. *He gave **direction**s faster than she could follow them.*
directive	An official or authoritative instruction. *The boss loves to send us **directive**s.*
doctrine	A belief (or system of beliefs) accepted as authoritative by some group or school. *The **doctrine** of predestination.*
edict	A formal or authoritative proclamation. *Clovis issued an **edict** protecting Church property.*
enactment	The process of passing legislation. *The story becomes an **enactment** of his fantasies.*
ethic	The principles of right and wrong that are accepted by an individual or a social group. *The Puritan **ethic**.*
fact	A concept whose truth can be proved. *How much of the story is **fact** and how much fiction is hard to tell.*
fiat	A legally binding command or decision entered on the court record (as if issued by a court or judge. *The reforms left most prices fixed by government **fiat**.*
formula	A formulation. *A legal **formula**.*
guideline	A general rule, principle, or piece of advice. *The organization has issued **guideline**s for people working with prisoners.*

injunction	A judicial order restraining a person from beginning or continuing an action threatening or invading the legal right of another, or compelling a person to carry out a certain act, e.g. to make restitution to an injured party. ***Injunction*** *were formerly obtained by writ but now by a judicial order.*
instruction	A direction or order. *He was acting on my* ***instruction****s.*
jurisprudence	The branch of philosophy concerned with the law and the principles that lead courts to make the decisions they do. *The great problem for* ***jurisprudence*** *to allow freedom while enforcing order.*
law of nature	Legal document setting forth rules governing a particular kind of activity.
law-enforcement officers	Someone who is appointed or elected to an office and who holds a position of trust.
legislation	Laws, considered collectively. *It will require* ***legislation*** *to change this situation.*
maxim	A short, pithy statement expressing a general truth or rule of conduct. *The* ***maxim*** *that actions speak louder than words.*
measure	Measuring instrument having a sequence of marks at regular intervals used as a reference in making measurements. ***Measure****s of two or three syllables are more frequent in English prose.*
motion	An optical illusion of motion produced by viewing a rapid succession of still pictures of a moving object. *Opposition parties tabled a no confidence* ***motion****.*
natural law	A first roll of 7 or 11 that immediately wins the stake.
order	The position in which a rifle is held after ordering arms. *Men from the fraternal* ***order*** *will staff the soup kitchen today.*
police	The force of policemen and officers. *The coroner will await the outcome of* ***police*** *inquiries.*
police force	The force of policemen and officers.
police officers	The force of policemen and officers.
policemen	A member of a police force.

practice	Repeated exercise in or performance of an activity or skill so as to acquire or maintain proficiency in it. *Daily choir **practice**s.*
practice of law	Systematic training by multiple repetitions.
precept	A rate or tax set by a precept. *He believed all the Christian **precept**s.*
prescription	Written instructions for an optician on the lenses for a given person. *I ve got to pick up my **prescription** from the chemist s.*
principle	A general scientific theorem or law that has numerous special applications across a wide field. *She resigned over a matter of **principle**.*
proclamation	The formal act of proclaiming; giving public notice. *The government restricted the use of water by **proclamation**.*
promulgation	A public statement containing information about an event that has happened or is going to happen. *The **promulgation** was written in English.*
pronouncement	A formal or authoritative announcement or declaration. *Distrust of the **pronouncement**s of politicians was endemic.*
ratification	The action of signing or giving formal consent to a treaty, contract, or agreement, making it officially valid. *The **ratification** of the treaty.*
regulation	In accordance with regulations of the correct type. ***Regulation** army footwear.*
resolution	Computer science the number of pixels per square inch on a computer generated display the greater the resolution the better the picture. *A high **resolution** monitor.*
rule	A rule describing or prescribing a linguistic practice. *During the **rule** of Elizabeth.*
rules and regulations	A principle or condition that customarily governs behavior.
ruling	The reason for a court’s judgment (as opposed to the decision itself. *The **ruling** was reversed in the appeal court.*
standard	(especially with reference to jazz or blues) a tune or song of established popularity. *The government s ambition to raise **standard**s in schools.*

statute	An act passed by a legislative body. *Immunities granted to trade unions by **statute**.*
stipulation	A condition or requirement that is specified or demanded as part of an agreement. *They donated their collection of prints with the **stipulation** that they never be publicly exhibited.*
system of laws	The living body considered as made up of interdependent components forming a unified whole.
tenet	A principle or belief, especially one of the main principles of a religion or philosophy. *The **tenet**s of classical liberalism.*
the bar	A portable .30 caliber automatic rifle operated by gas pressure and fed by cartridges from a magazine; used by United States troops in World War I and in World War II and in the Korean War.
the forces of law and order	An act of aggression (as one against a person who resists.
the officers of the law	Any person in the armed services who holds a position of authority or command.
the police	The force of policemen and officers.
the police force	The force of policemen and officers.
verity	Conformity to reality or actuality. *Irrefutable objective **verity**.*

Usage Examples of "Law" as a noun

- *He had supreme control—what he said was law.*
- *A new law was passed to make divorce easier and simpler.*
- *Civilization presupposes respect for the law.*
- *He studied law at Yale.*
- *The first law of American corporate life is that dead wood floats.*
- *The second law of thermodynamics.*
- *The law came looking for him.*
- *Law enforcement.*
- *He'd never been in trouble with the law in his life.*
- *The laws of the game.*
- *There is a law against kidnapping.*
- *The laws of thermodynamics.*
- *Law students.*
- *They were taken to court for breaking the law.*

- *He was still practising law.*
- *Shooting the birds is against the law.*
- *A law firm.*

Associations of "Law" (30 Words)

attorney	A solicitor.
client	(in ancient Rome) a plebeian under the protection of a patrician. *Friendly **client** programs like this enable you to perform complicated actions in just a mouse press or two.*
constitutional	Constitutional in the structure of something especially your physical makeup. *A **constitutional** inability to tell the truth.*
court	The place where a court meets. *Pay **court** to the emperor.*
courtroom	The place or room in which a court of law meets. *A bitter **courtroom** battle.*
crime	Illegal activities. *It s a **crime** to keep a creature like Willy in a tank.*
docket	Place on the docket for legal action. *Only 5 of the 120 cases **docket**ed were tried.*

enactment	The controlled expression and acceptance of repressed emotions or impulses in behaviour during therapy. ***Enactment**s covering food safety.*
felony	A serious crime (such as murder or arson. *An accusation of **felony**.*
illegal	A person living in a country without official authorization. *An **illegal** chess move.*
indict	Accuse formally of a crime. *His former manager was **indict**ed for fraud.*
judicial	Of, by, or appropriate to a law court or judge; relating to the administration of justice. *A **judicial** inquiry into the allegations.*
jurisdiction	In law; the territory within which power can be exercised. *Several different tax **jurisdiction**s.*
killing	The act of terminating a life. *A **killing** schedule.*
lawsuit	A comprehensive term for any proceeding in a court of law whereby an individual seeks a legal remedy. *His lawyer filed a **lawsuit** against Los Angeles city.*
lawyer	Of a lawyer work on the legal aspects of a contract lawsuit etc. *There is always a danger that the deal will be **lawyer**ed to death.*
legal	Relating to theological legalism. *A yellow **legal** pad.*
legitimately	In a manner acceptable to common custom. *There are tons of **legitimately** terrible movies.*
liability	A thing for which someone is responsible, especially an amount of money owed. *Once you contact the card protection scheme your **liability** for any loss ends.*
litigation	A legal proceeding in a court; a judicial contest to determine and enforce legal rights. *The company wishes to avoid **litigation**.*
malpractice	Professional wrongdoing that results in injury or damage. *He charged them with electoral **malpractice**s.*
penalty	A payment required for not fulfilling a contract. *Neglected his health and paid the **penalty**.*
plaintiff	A person who brings an action in a court of law. *The **plaintiff** commenced an action for damages.*

probate	A judicial certificate saying that a will is genuine and conferring on the executors the power to administer the estate. *The house has been valued for **probate**.*
proceeding	The institution of a sequence of steps by which legal judgments are invoked.
tort	A wrongful act or an infringement of a right (other than under contract) leading to legal liability. *Public nuisance is a crime as well as a **tort**.*
trial	Of a horse dog or other animal compete in trials. *The editor was summoned to stand **trial** for libel.*
valid	Legally or officially acceptable. *The license is still **valid**.*
verdict	A decision on an issue of fact in a civil or criminal case or an inquest. *The jury returned a **verdict** of not guilty.*
wanted	Characterized by feeling or showing fond affection for. *So good to feel **wanted**.*