

# Public Administration in the Czech Republic

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## Topics + *reading*:

### Topic 1

**Introduction. Administrative law, administrative science.**

**The concept of Public Administration. Public Administration vs. Private Administration**

***Reading:***

*Text-book: Chapter I.1 (p. 4-7)*

### Topic 2

**Constitutional rudiments and legal basis of Public Administration**

***Reading:***

- *Text-book: chapter III.1 and III.2 (p. 17 – 19)*
- *Constitution of the Czech Republic: Chapter I, Chapter II – para. 15, 41, Chapter III – para. 54, 62, 63, 67, 78, 79, Chapter IV – para. 87, 91, 95, 96 ([www.concourt.cz](http://www.concourt.cz))*

### Topic 3

**Organizational principles of Public Administration. Principle of subsidiarity.**

***Reading:***

- *Text-book: Chapter II.1 (p. 11-12)*
- *Council of Europe: the European Charter of Local Self-government (<http://www.coe.int>)*

### Topic 4

**Public Administration organization. State administration, self-governmental bodies.**

***Reading:***

- *Text-book: Chapter II.2 (p. 12-16)*
- *Constitution of the Czech Republic – Chapter VII ([www.concourt.cz](http://www.concourt.cz))*

### Topic 5

## **Public Administration activities. Decision-making. Tasks and aims of Public Administration in society.**

### **Reading:**

- *Text-book: Chapter IV.1 (p. 26-27), I.2 (p. 7-10)*
- *Law on Administrative Procedure – Act. No. 500/2004 Coll., sections 2-8, 177 (www.nssoud.cz)*

## **Topic 6**

### **Constitutional rudiments of Public Administration. Relations to individuals. Principles of Good Governance (Administration).**

### **Reading:**

- *Text-book: Chapter IV.2 (p. 27 – 35)*
- *Charter of Fundamental Rights and Freedoms – no. 2/1993 Coll., Chapter I – III ([www.concourt.cz](http://www.concourt.cz)),*
- *Recommendation of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe no. Rec(2007)7 (www.coe.int).*

## **Topic 7**

### **Administrative Law system. Sources of Administrative Law.**

### **Reading:**

*Text-book: Chapter III.3, III.4 (p. 19-25)*

## **Topic 8**

### **Regions, Communities - status, competences, organs and activities**

### **Reading:**

- *Law on Communities – no. 128/2000 Coll,*
- *Law on Regions – no. 129/2000 Coll.*  
(www.mvcr.cz)

## **Topic 9**

### **Administrative Procedural Law.**

### **Reading:**

*Code of Administrative Procedure no. 500/2004 Coll. – selected provisions (www.nssoud.cz)*

## **Topic 10**

### **Legal guarantees in Public Administration. Public administration control.**

**Reading:**

- *Text-book: p. 36-40.*
- *Constitution of the Czech Republic – Chapter V,*
- *Charter of Fundamental Rights and Freedoms – Chapter V*  
([www.concourt.cz](http://www.concourt.cz))

## **Topic 11**

### **Judicial control of Public Administration.**

**Reading:**

- *Text-book: p. 43 – 47.*
- *Code of Administrative Justice – no. 150/2002 Coll.- selected provisions*  
([www.nssoud.cz](http://www.nssoud.cz))

## **Topic 12**

### **Other means of Public Administration control. Ombudsman. Free access to information.**

**Reading:**

- *Text-book: p. 40-43,*
- *Law on Public Rights Defender – no.349/1999 Coll. ([www.ochrance.cz](http://www.ochrance.cz))*
- *Law on Free Access to Information – no. 106/1999 Coll. ([www.nssoud.cz](http://www.nssoud.cz))*
- *Personal data protection Act – no. 101/2000 Coll. ([www.uoou.cz](http://www.uoou.cz))*

### **Seminar paper:**

10-15 pages, + sources. Comparative approach possible.

Theme – chosen till seminar on 6th March (can be changed or precised later).