

# Libertarianism: How it Works

*Editor's Pick. Written by Paul Miller.*

Libertarianism is a political philosophy, that has “non-aggression principle” in its basis. Basically the idea is that it is both a) immoral b) counterproductive to use coercion instead of voluntary associations. With this logic, modern governments are aggressors that are not different from burglars and thieves and should be abolished or at least greatly reduced in size.

It is a pragmatic philosophy that doesn't require a change in human nature, it concludes that there will always be bad people and that in general people behave better when they have freedom as compared to when they don't.

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