



How do I report a crime to police?

Report all crime to police.

In an emergency

Call Triple Zero (000) in an emergency or if people or property are in danger.

Non-urgent assistance

Call 131 444 for non-urgent police assistance or to report crime that's already happened.

Crime Stoppers

Call 1800 333 000 or online to report crime information or suspicious activity anonymously.

When you report a crime to us, we'll make a record of that crime and conduct an initial investigation to make sure we have all the information we need.

This may include:

- making enquiries to identify and speak to witnesses,
- examining the crime scene and recording the evidence,
- assessing evidence and/or our intelligence data base (eg to see if other similar crimes have happened in the area or if we hold information about the crime).

In addition to supporting the initial investigation, your information is valuable to us and helps us plan where and how we use police resources to prevent and detect crime.

How you can help when reporting a crime:

Victim/Witness information

If you can, be ready to give us names and contact details of witnesses or other victims.

Forensic evidence

Forensic evidence is things like fingerprints, blood or clothing that the person responsible for the crime might have left. When you report a crime, tell us if you think there might be forensic evidence. We'll get some details from you and let you know if the evidence is anything we can use. We'll let you know what we need you to do next and arrange to collect the evidence if needed.

Photographs, CCTV/dash camera recording

If there is a photograph of the person responsible for the crime or CCTV/dash camera recording of (or near) the incident, tell police when you make your report. Make sure the photograph or recording is flagged, saved or copied to USB/disc to prevent it being lost. For a recording, include 5 minutes before and after the incident.

If you're reporting over the phone, you may be asked to email a screen (or still) shot of the person responsible for the crime to an email address that will be provided.

