

## Reporting Child Abuse and Maltreatment

### Fact sheet



### Easy-to-Read Version

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#### Child Abuse and Child Cruelty examples



Beating up a child resulting in injuries



Having sex with a child

Touching a child sexually

Letting another person touch a child sexually



A child bullying another child



Overworking a child



Doing things that can negatively affect the child's behaviour  
Leaving a child unattended on purpose

## Reporting Child Abuse



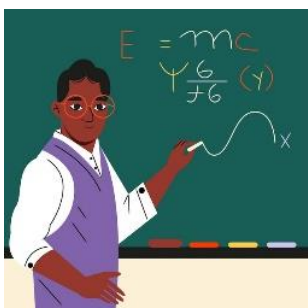
You can report to the South African Police Service



You can report to the Department of Social Development

You can report to an organisation that protects children

## People who can report Child Abuse



A Teacher must report Child Abuse



A Nurse must report Child Abuse



A Social Worker must report Child Abuse

Other people in authority must report Child Abuse

## How to Report Child Abuse

Complete Form 22

Explain how the child abuse is happening on the form

FORM 22  
REPORTING OF ABUSE OR DELIBERATE NEGLECT OF CHILD  
(Regulation 33)  
[SECTION 110 OF THE CHILDREN'S ACT 38 OF 2005]

REPORTING OF ABUSE TO PROVINCIAL DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT  
DESIGNATED CHILD PROTECTION ORGANISATION OR POLICE OFFICE

NOTE: A SEPARATE FORM MUST BE COMPLETED FOR EACH CHILD

1. The Head of the Department, Dept of Social Development

2. The District Director, Dept of Education: For Attention CES: SDSS / Si  
Copy for your attention and Register for Child Abuse Cases

Report to section 110 of the Children's Act, 2005, and for purposes of section 114(1)(a)  
I am hereby advised that a child has been abused in a manner causing physical injury/  
emotional harm or is in need of medical attention or is in need of social services  
or is in need of protection or is in need of any other assistance.



You can hand the form to the Police

You can hand it to an organisation that protects children

You can also hand it to the Department of Social Development

## What happens after reporting?



The authorities that protect children will look into the matter

The Court may have to decide if the child needs protection or not

The child may also be taken to a safe place without a court order



If needed, counselling will be provided

If needed, they will refer you to another organisation

If needed, the child will be removed through a court order

## To report Child Abuse



Call the police on 10111

-Based Violence Call centre on 0800 428 428

Social Development on 011 355 7600

Johannesburg Child Welfare on 011 298 8500

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