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When is hate a crime?



Hate is when someone treats a person badly because of who they are as a person.



A person might experience hate because of their religion.



A person might experience hate because of:

- their **culture**
- the colour of their skin.



Your culture is:

- your way of life
- how you think or act now because of how you grew up.



A person might experience hate because of their **gender**.

Your gender is what you feel and understand about who you are as a person.



Your gender can be:

- male
- female
- a combination of these
- none of these.



A person might experience hate because of their **sexuality**.

Your sexuality is who you love or are attracted to.



A person might experience hate because of their disability.



If someone commits a crime because of hate, we call it a **hate crime**.



Hate crimes are never ok.



Hate crimes can be committed by:

- strangers
- people you know.

It's never ok for:



- someone to yell at you on the train because of your disability



- your father to hit you because you are gay



- someone to threaten you online because of the colour of your skin.

What can you do if you experience hate?

Hate can affect:



- your safety and wellbeing



- how you work or earn money



- how people think of you.



Sometimes people ignore the way hate hurts them because they don't know what to do.



Or they don't think it's serious enough to do something about it.



You don't have to accept hate.



But it can be hard to know:

- what to do
- who you can talk to.



We made a website with the:

- Australian Hate Crime Network
- University of Sydney.



We made this website to help people who have experienced hate.



www.hatecrime.com.au

On our website, you can find information about:



- the types of hate people can experience



- what the law will do when this happens



- what support you can get



- how to report hate.

Talk about it



If you have experienced hate, you should tell someone you trust about what happened.

This could include:



- a family member or friend



- someone who works with you



- a school principal.



You don't have to deal with this on your own.

Learn about hate



When you know more about hate, you can have more power over your experience.



When you learn about hate, it helps you understand what happened.



There are different types of hate.



For example, you might have experienced:

- a hate crime
- discrimination.

On our website you can learn about:



- the law



- your **rights** – rules about how everybody should be treated.



You can talk to your community.

For example, you can use our Community Toolkit.

Find support

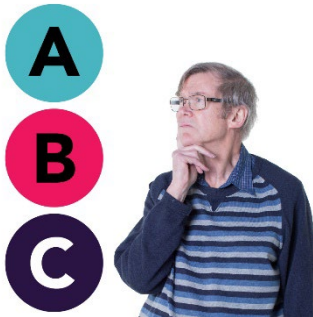


You can find lots of services on our website if you need support.

These services can help you:



- take care of yourself



- learn about your options.



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Support for you



You can visit our website.

www.hatecrime.com.au



You can call the police on Triple Zero if:

- you or someone else are in danger
- there is an emergency.



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If you need legal support and advice, you can call LawAccess NSW.



1800 888 529



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