



**STOP VIOLENCE
AGAINST WOMEN**

Act Against Abuse

16 Days of Activism

25 November – 10 December 2014

WHAT IS DOMESTIC VIOLENCE?

- Physical Abuse
- Stalking
- Sexual Abuse
- Damage to Property
- Economic Abuse
- Entry into Your Home without Your Consent
- Intimidation
- Any Other Abusive Behaviour Causing You Harm
- Harassment

A domestic relationship is required with the respondent e.g. married, engaged, dating, sharing a residence, sharing parental responsibility over a child etc.

WHAT CAN I DO?

Contact Numbers:

- SAPS Emergency number: 10111
- Women Abuse Helpline: 0800 150 150
- FAMSA: 011 975 7107
- Childline: 0800 055 555
- Send an anonymous tip-off to 32211

A: Go to the Magistrate's Court for a Protection Order

Fill out an application for a Protection Order with the assistance of the clerk of the court

The clerk will also inform you of the relief available and your right to lodge a criminal case

B: Report the matter at your nearest Police Station

You or an unassisted child, or someone with a material interest in the complainant's wellbeing (with your written consent) may apply for a Protection Order e.g. counsellor, health service provider, police, social worker, teacher

What if the Protection Order is violated?

Go to the Police Station with the Warrant of arrest

If there are insufficient grounds for an arrest, the Police will inform the Respondent to appear in court

Police will Arrest the respondent in cases of imminent harm

They will inform you of your right to lay a criminal charge & assist you in finding shelter and obtain medical treatment

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