

Singapore

The following procedures are specific to Singapore and provide the current guidance as to how to report a crime as at May 2023.

<p><u>Contact Details</u></p> <p>Flag State Procedures i.e. you are on a Singapore-flagged vessel & Port State Procedures i.e. you are in Singapore waters/port</p>	
<p>Who to contact to report a sexual offence? E.g. rape.</p>	<p><u>Emergency Assistance</u></p> <p>For immediate police response during emergencies or life-threatening situations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • dial 999 or SMS 71999 while in Singapore, or • dial +65 6255 0000 if outside Singapore <p>Note that the Singapore Police may not be able to render immediate assistance if you are not within Singapore waters or at one of the facilities/terminals of the Port of Singapore.</p> <p><u>Reporting a Crime</u></p> <p>To provide crime-related information to the Singapore Police in a non-emergency situation (including to make a police report), dial (+65) 6225 0000.</p> <p>For individuals with a Singapore Personal Access (or Singpass) Digital ID, a police report can be made online at: https://eservices.police.gov.sg/content/policehubhome/homepage/police-report.html</p> <p>Otherwise, crime-related information can be provided to the Singapore Police Force at https://www.police.gov.sg/I-Witness</p>
<p>In what circumstances can I contact the police?</p>	<p>A police report can be made if you have been the victim or a witness of a criminal offence, including in the case of a sexual offence.</p> <p>Note that a police report can be made if someone:</p> <p>(a) threatens, abuses, or insults you with the intention to cause harassment, alarm, or distress, or</p> <p>(b) threatens you with physical violence.</p> <p>Such acts are prohibited under the Protection from Harassment Act, which also allows you to sue the harasser and/or obtain a Protection Order against the harasser (see section below on civil claims).</p>

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What information to provide to the police?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your name and contact number. • Description of the crime or incident. • Name of the vessel and present location. • Form of immediate assistance required (if applicable). • Date and time of the crime. • Name of the perpetrator and their whereabouts, if known.
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(i) National Procedures i.e. you are a Singapore resident (and the vessel is not Singapore-flagged and is not in Singapore waters)	
What is my first point of contact?	<p>In the first instance, you should contact the police of the country you are currently in (or will be at the next port of call) as they are best placed to investigate the crime (see the table above if you are in Singaporean waters/ at a Singaporean port).</p> <p>Your national consulate also provides assistance and advice for what to do if a crime is committed abroad (i.e. you are outside Singapore).</p>
Who to contact for consular assistance?	<p>If you are a Singapore citizen and are presently outside Singapore, you can contact the Ministry of Foreign for consular assistance:</p> <p>https://www.mfa.gov.sg/Services/Singapore-Citizens/I-Need-Help-Overseas or call +65 6379 8000.</p>

Medical examinations	
Who to contact for a medical examination?	<p>You are required to make a police report before undergoing a forensic medical examination.</p> <p>You can contact the Singapore Police by dialling +65 6225 0000 in a non-emergency situation.</p>

Specialised charitable organisations and agencies	
Who to contact if you require free legal advice?	<p>The Law Society Pro Bono Services (LSPBS) is a registered charity in Singapore that offers free basic legal advice through its Community Legal Clinics for applicants meeting certain criteria. You can contact the LSPBS by phone at +65 6534 1564 or +65 6536 0650, via email at clas@lawsocprobono.org or on their website: https://www.probono.sg/</p> <p>The Singapore Management University Pro Bono Centre conducts similar legal clinics for eligible applicants. You can contact the SMU Pro Bono Centre by phone at +65 6828 1951, via email at probonocentre@smu.edu.sg or via the booking link https://booking.smu.edu.sg/legalclinic</p> <p>An informal directory of all legal clinics in Singapore can be found at https://legalclinics.sg/</p> <p>The Sexual Assault Care Centre (SACC) also provides legal consultation services to victims of sexual assault and can be contacted</p>

	by phone at +65 6779 0282, via email at sacc@aware.org.sg or via WhatsApp at +65 97814101.
Who to contact for counselling services?	<p>The SACC provides specialised services to victims of sexual assault, including counselling and befriending services.</p> <p>The SACC can be contacted by phone at +65 6779 0282, via email at sacc@aware.org.sg or via WhatsApp at +65 97814101. See more here: https://sacc.aware.org.sg/</p>
Who to contact for potential civil claims involving gender discrimination?	<p>Tripartite Alliance Limited (TAL) is an entity jointly set up by the Singapore Ministry of Manpower, the National Trades Union Congress, and the Singapore National Employers Federation. One of the agencies under TAL is the Tripartite Alliance for Fair and Progressive Employment Practices (TAFEP).</p> <p>TAFEP can provide assistance and advice to employees who encounter workplace discrimination or harassment:</p> <p>https://www.tal.sg/tafep/Contact-Us or call +65 6838 0969.</p> <p>You can also make a civil claim or obtain a Protection Order against a harasser under the Protection from Harassment Act. You can seek such remedies yourself, or engage a lawyer to act on your behalf (see the section above regarding free legal advice).</p>
What to tell TAL/TAFEP?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Your name and contact number. • Description of the discrimination / harassment faced. • Form of assistance required.