



Please contact us about questions around reporting anti-gay and anti-trans violence. We work together with the police.

We'll support you!

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**Information and advice
on how to report violence against
lesbian, gay, trans and queer people**

WHAT IS THIS ABOUT?

Nobody has to tolerate being insulted, spat at or being physically attacked because of their sexuality or gender identity.

Insults are relevant under criminal law, because anti-gay and anti-trans violence are categorized as politically motivated criminal offence.

Call 110 to inform the police if you are a victim of or witness to a crime – even if it isn't directed against you or your friends.

HOW DO I DO THAT?

You can report a crime to any police station, as well as online (service.polizei.nrw.de/anzeige). Generally, crime should be reported as quickly as possible. But you can also make a report days, weeks or months after an incident.

In case of emergency, call 110 for help.

I WILL REPORT THIS!

... even if I can't give an exact description of the offender(s) or don't have any witnesses!

Frequently, persistent offenders can be identified if several reports are made.

... even if I am not sure the offender(s) can be found!

Without my initiative, nothing will happen. If I make a report, the police will know where and when criminal offences against lesbian, gay, trans and queer people are committed. That's relevant for prosecution and also for statistical purposes.

... even if nobody might be punished! The number of unreported cases for anti-gay and anti-trans crime is assumed to be disproportionately high. By reporting a crime, I can increase the visibility of violence based on sexuality and gender identity.