Your rights with police and PSOs

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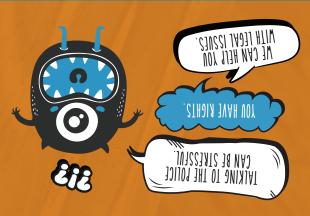
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You have the **right to silence**. That means you do not have to answer questions asked by police and PSOs (protective service officers), except:

- your name and address
- the reason you are in or near a police station.

You have the right to ask police and PSOs:

- · why they are questioning or searching you
- to write their name, rank and station for you.

You have the **right to complain** about police and PSOs if they treat you unfairly. Get advice from a lawyer first.



You have the right to **talk to a lawyer** before police interview you. If you are under 18, you can either:

- call YRIPP on 1300 791 189 anytime
- ask the police to call a lawyer for you.

You have the right to **call someone you trust** to let them know where you are.

If you are under 18 or have a disability, you have the right to have someone with you when police interview you. If you are under 18, this can be a parent, guardian or independent person. If you have a disability, you can have an independent third person with you.