

## You can get help here

**Police** – in an emergency ..... 110

**Violence against women helpline** 08000 - 11 60 16  
Free telephone number (always available) .....  
Chat consultation: [www.hilfetelefon.de](http://www.hilfetelefon.de)

**Women's shelter** (always available) 02821 -1 2201  
AWO Kreisverband Kleve e.V.

**Women's advice centre** IMPULS 02823 - 41 91 71

**Diakonisches Werk** Wesel ..... 0281 - 156-210  
Emmerich advice centre

**Caritasverband** Kleve e.V. .... 02822 - 1 08 29  
Educational counselling at the children,  
youth & family advice centre

**Marriage, family and  
life counselling** ..... 02822 - 4344  
Catholic church

**Weißer Ring** ..... 02821 - 9736667  
Kleve office

**Victim Protection Officer**  
(always available) ..... 02821 - 5041999  
of the local police authority, Kleve

**Youth welfare office** ..... 02822 - 751400  
Emmerich am Rhein

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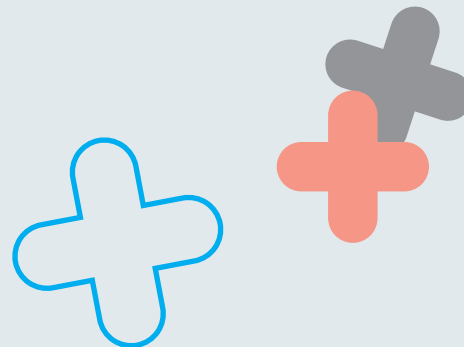
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# The law forbids domestic violence!

## Violence is:

- If someone **hurts** you
- If someone **hits** you
- If someone **threatens** you
- If someone **forbids** you to **contact** other people
- If someone **locks** you in,

## get help!



[www.zuhause-gewalt.de](http://www.zuhause-gewalt.de)

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and help  
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# INFO

against violence  
(domestic)

Violence  
is never  
private.

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# Your rights \_\_\_\_\_ in the case of \_\_\_\_\_ domestic violence

## The police law

of the state of North Rhine-Westphalia (PoIG NRW)

**You are living with someone.**

**Is this person threatening you?**

**Then call the police.**

**The police will come to you.**

The perpetrator must leave the apartment for 10 days.

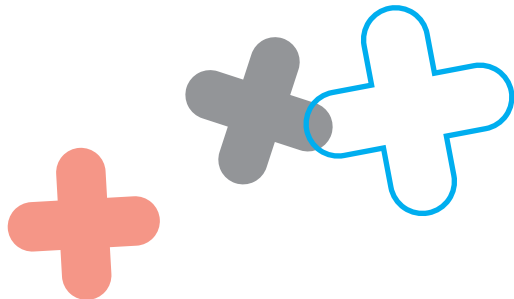
The police can enforce this.

**You have a right to help and advice.**

The police will tell you where you can get help.

You can report the perpetrator to the police.

You can also report crimes which happened in the past.



## The protection against violence act

(GewSchG)

**In Germany there is a law for protection against violence.**

**This is what it says:**

If you are experiencing domestic violence, you can make an application to the local court.

**The court can decide, for example:**

- That the perpetrator must leave the apartment for longer than 10 days
- That the perpetrator may not call you or talk to you
- That the perpetrator must stay away from you

**Some people may not have very much money.**

They can receive an advice certificate from the local court.

This will mean support with lawyers is paid for.

## Stalking (amendment)

§ 238 of the Criminal Code (StGB)

**Stalking means:**

- A person is harassing you
- A person is hassling you
- A person is following you
- A person is watching you

**Stalking is violence.**

Stalking happens through telephone calls, text messages, apps, emails or letters

**The important thing is:**

- Avoid contact with the stalker
- Record what the stalker does
- Record where and when the stalker does things.

**With this, you can report the stalker.**

**The local court can also rule:**

- That the stalker may not call you or talk to you
- That the stalker must stay away from you.