

WHAT IS STALKING?

Stalking is a pattern of behavior directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to feel fear. Examples of the most common behaviors that stalkers use, include: showing up places uninvited; making unwanted phone calls, leaving unwanted texts or voice messages; watching, following, or spying; sneaking into a car or home; leaving unwanted letters, presents, or strange or threatening items; sending unwanted emails, instant messages, and communications through social media platforms.



PROTECTION FROM STALKING?

In Idaho, victims of stalking may qualify for a stalking civil protection order. A person may file for a stalking protection order on their behalf or for their children by filing a petition and affidavit with their local magistrate court. The petition must describe the stalking behaviors experienced and at least some of the described conduct must have occurred within 90 days prior to filing the petition.



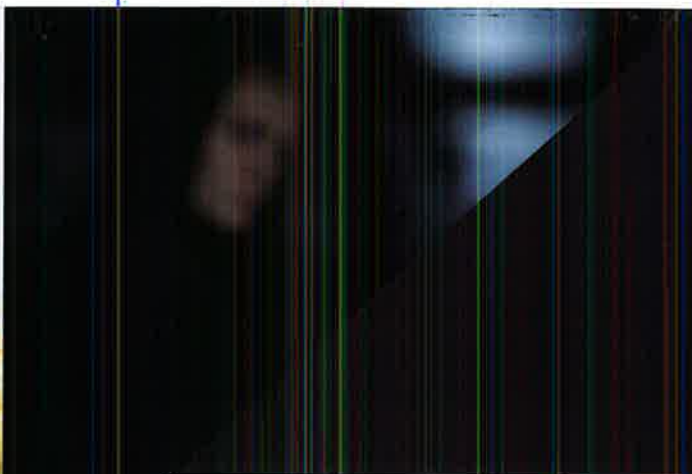
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DOCUMENTING STALKING BEHAVIORS

To provide accurate descriptions of stalking behaviors, many victims find it helpful to create a stalking incident and behavior log. In addition to helping with the civil protection order process, this log can also assist a victim who chooses to report stalking to law enforcement and in other civil legal matters.

Stalking logs should be used to record all stalking-related behaviors, but be aware that information from these logs can be introduced as evidence in civil and criminal proceedings – therefore, never include any information that you do not want a stalker to see.

Make sure to include or attach the following information: picture of stalker; copies of protection orders, police reports, and other relevant documents; date and time, description and location of incident, witness names and contact information, and if law enforcement was called, the report number and office name and badge number.

For more information on stalking incident and behavior logs including a template, please visit the Stalking Prevention, Awareness, and Resource Center (SPARC) at stalkingawareness.org

GETTING HELP

Free legal assistance is available for victims of stalking through Idaho Legal Aid Services. If you would like to talk to a lawyer to find out if you qualify for services, call 1-877-500-2980 or contact your local Idaho Legal Aid office.

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Advocacy, counseling, and other supportive services are also available free of cost throughout the state. To find out more about services offered in your area, please contact your local domestic and sexual assault organization. A list of Idaho's community and tribal advocacy programs is available at idvsa.org/about-us/members/

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