







Intimate Image Abuse or Revenge Porn

is the sharing of your intimate images without your consent.

It can happen to anyone - you are not to blame

If you are over the age of 18 and think you may have been a victim of intimate image abuse, Police Scotland and support services can help.

What to do if an image of you that is nude, partially nude or sexual is shared publicly

It is illegal for anyone to share photos of you that fall under one or more of these categories without your consent



An image of you taking part in a sexual act



Your genitals, buttocks or breasts exposed in a private place



You wearing only your underwear in a private place

It is a criminal offense if someone threatens to or actually does share photos of this type.



1. Contact Revenge Porn Helpline

Monday to Friday, 10 am to 4 pm

Revenge Porn Helpline
0345 6000 459

Anonymous reporting via the **Whisper** service



swgfl.org.uk/whisper/rph1/

help@revengepornhelpline.org.uk



Revenge Porn Helpline can help by:



Removing the images by contacting the platforms on your behalf. They can advise on social media community guidelines and policies too,



Reporting to Police Scotland or advising on evidence to gather to approach authorities, and when to contact them.

2. Contact Police Scotland



Report someone sharing or threatening to share a sexual image without consent by calling 101 or 999 in the case of an emergency.

3. Call the Amina Helpline

If you are a **Muslim or BME woman** affected by intimate image abuse and require extra support, call the **free Amina Helpline** on **0808 801 0301**, **Monday to Friday**, **10 am - 4 pm**.

















What if my private images are shared without consent?

For Muslim and BME women, private or intimate images which they would not want shared publicly could include:



Photos without Hijab if worn publicly



Images indicating a relationship outside of marriage



Wearing private home attire, revealing arms, legs, or neck



Although these images may not be considered "intimate" for the purpose of the law, there is still support available to help remove them.

Contact Report Harmful Content

If private images of you have been shared and are affecting your life, although not illegal or violating platform guidelines, Report Harmful Content (RHC) can assist in having them removed.



reportharmfulcontent.com/report

How will Report Harmful Content help?



RHC can help to remove images from 25 social media and dating platforms by contact them on your behalf, presenting your case, and escalating it for removal.

RHC will provide additional context and highlight the significant impact this issue can have on you, both online and offline.



What if the removed images keep getting reposted?

StopNCII.org is a free tool that helps victims of Non-Consensual Intimate Image (NCII) abuse.

StopNCII.org



It works by creating a unique digital code, called a **hash**, for the photo or video. The hash acts as a digital fingerprint, which remains the same for any copies of the image.

StopNCII.org shares this hash with partner companies so they can find and remove the images and videos if they are shared on partner sites.

What if my social media has been hacked?



Although **Revenge Porn Helpline (RPH)** is unable to regain access to your account, they can help by **reporting social media accounts** that have made threats or have been used to share private, sexual images without your consent. This process requires evidence of any threats, and a link or username for the account.



If threats have been made to share your private sexual images online, you may be eligible to use the <u>StopNCII.org</u> tool to digitally hash the content and prevent it from being shared across partner platforms.



If your images have been shared elsewhere online, RPH can help to report these on your behalf. Call **the Helpline** for advice and support.

If no threats or images have been shared but this is part of a wider pattern of online harm, then <u>Report Harmful Content</u> may be able to assist.





