

WHAT IF I GET INTO TROUBLE?

As a person between 12-17 years old, *I have the right to:*

- ✓ life and security of person
- ✓ information
- ✓ participate in decisions that affect me
- ✓ privacy
- ✓ safety (protection from violence, injury, abuse and neglect)
- ✓ health
- ✓ assistance if I have a disability
- ✓ rest and leisure
- ✓ participate in artistic and cultural life
- ✓ be treated with dignity and respect

If I am suspected of a crime, *I have the right to:*

- ✓ be told what I am accused of and why, in words I understand.
- ✓ remain silent (except, I should give my name and address to police if asked).
- ✓ talk to my parents or other responsible adult
- ✓ be considered for restorative justice or alternative measures other than court
- ✓ talk to a lawyer at any time during the justice process
- ✓ be presumed innocent until proven guilty
- ✓ not be kept in jail, (unless I threaten public safety or to ensure I appear in court)
- ✓ have my privacy respected
- ✓ express my views and concerns and to be heard
- ✓ have a parent, lawyer or other adult with me if I make a statement to police.
- ✓ be treated with dignity and respect.



If I am a victim, *I have the right to:*

- ✓ be treated with dignity and compassion
- ✓ be protected from discrimination
- ✓ know what's happening and to ask questions
- ✓ be heard and to express my views and concerns (worries)
- ✓ receive help
- ✓ privacy
- ✓ feel secure and not be harmed (safety) during the justice process
- ✓ compensation for being hurt, to help me get better
- ✓ be protected from further harm

I always *have a duty to:*

- ✓ Know and respect the human rights of all other people
- ✓ To treat other people in a way that respects their human dignity

My parents' phone number:

My lawyer's phone number:

Number for other helpful adult:

Police:

Fire:

Ambulance:



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