

A STALKING.ORG REFERENCE GUIDE

Reporting Stalking to Connecticut Officials

Statewide Edition

Every hotline, state agency, and court resource you need to report
stalking in Connecticut.

Statewide Connecticut agencies
Verified phone numbers & addresses
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GETTING STARTED

How to Use This Guide

This guide covers **statewide** Connecticut resources: the government agencies, hotlines, and courts that serve every town. Each section also tells you how to find the right local office for your specific town or judicial district.

Start here: the Connecticut Office of Victim Services (1-800-822-8428) can point you to the right state or local office for your exact situation.

Before you call: have your documentation ready — dates, what happened, any messages or photos saved, and whether a report has already been filed elsewhere.

If you're in danger: call 911 first. Every other number in this guide is for follow-up support, not emergency response.

What's inside

- Emergency & immediate-danger contacts
- Statewide Connecticut agencies (Office of Victim Services, Office of the Victim Advocate, SAVIN, Judicial Branch)
- Reporting to local police & county sheriffs
- Domestic violence protective orders explained
- Step-by-step: filing a report & getting a protective order
- Specialized support (child abuse, elder abuse, civil rights)
- A one-page master contact sheet

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ACT NOW

Emergency & Immediate Danger

If a stalker is near you right now, threatening you, or has violated a protection order, these are your first calls — before anything else in this guide.

Emergency — Police, Fire, Medical

911

Call if you are in immediate danger, right now.

CT State Police (find your local Troop)

Via portal.ct.gov/despp

Connecticut State Police cover areas without a local police department, organized by Troop.

CT Department of Correction — Victim Services

1-888-869-7057

Free notification if a stalker is released from custody or changes status.

Can't speak safely? In areas where Text-to-911 is supported, you can text instead of calling — check with your mobile carrier or alea.gov for coverage in your county.

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●Connecticut — Statewide Agencies

These government agencies serve the entire state of Connecticut.

Connecticut Office of Victim Services (OVS), Judicial Branch

1-800-822-8428

(860) 263-2760 • TDD (860) 263-2778 • 225 Spring St, 4th Floor, Wethersfield, CT • Compensation, advocacy, and referrals statewide.

jud.ct.gov/crimevictim

Office of the Victim Advocate (OVA)

1-888-771-3126

(860) 550-6632 • 505 Hudson Street, 5th Floor, Hartford, CT 06106 • An independent state watchdog agency for crime victims' rights.

ct.gov/ova

Connecticut SAVIN (offender custody notification)

1-877-846-3428

1-877-VINE-4CT • Free, confidential notification if a stalker is released from jail or prison.

Connecticut Judicial Branch — Civil Protection Orders

Via jud.ct.gov

Official forms and instructions for stalking-specific civil protection orders.

jud.ct.gov

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LOCAL POLICE

● Reporting to Local Police & State Police

Stalking is usually reported to the police department in the city where you live or work, or to your county sheriff outside city limits.

Your local police department (non-emergency line)**Dial 911, or search “[your town] police non-emergency”**

Stalking can be reported at any town or city police department.

Connecticut State Police Troop (rural/unincorporated areas)**Varies by Troop**

Covers towns without their own police department.

Connecticut Superior Court**Find yours via jud.ct.gov**

File a civil protection order in the judicial district where you or the stalker lives.

Good to know: you can file a report at any police department, not only the one nearest the stalker. Ask for the officer's name, a complaint or case number, and how to follow up.

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Civil Protection Orders in Connecticut

Civil Protection Order: Connecticut's order specifically for stalking, sexual abuse, or sexual assault by someone who is **not** a family or household member — a stranger, acquaintance, neighbor, or coworker.

Relief from Abuse (Family Restraining Order): for stalking or abuse by a spouse, partner, co-parent, or close relative.

Cost & penalty: free to apply for either order. Violating one is a felony, punishable by up to 5 years in prison.

What counts as stalking for this order

Two or more acts of harassing, following, lying in wait, surveillance or monitoring, or sending unwanted gifts or messages — directly, indirectly, or through someone else.

Where to file

The Superior Court in the judicial district where you or the other party lives.

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Step-by-Step: What to Expect

●Filing a Police Report

- 1 Go to any police department or county sheriff's office — you do not have to go to the one nearest the stalker.
- 2 Ask to speak with an officer and say clearly that you want to report stalking or harassment.
- 3 Bring your documentation: dates, messages, photos, and names of any witnesses.
- 4 Ask for the report's complaint number before you leave, and request a copy if possible.
- 5 Ask about victim assistance resources — many departments have a victim advocate or can refer you to ACADV.

●Getting a Civil Protection Order

- 1 Go to the Superior Court in your judicial district and ask for a Civil Protection Order application (for non-family stalking) or Relief from Abuse application (for family/household members).
- 2 Fill out the application with as much detail as possible — dates, incidents, and any history of the person's behavior.
- 3 File the forms with the court clerk; there is no filing fee in Connecticut.
- 4 A judge can issue a temporary ex parte order the same day, lasting up to 14 days until a full hearing.
- 5 The court notifies local police within 48 hours — keep a copy of the order with you, at home, and at work.

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SPECIALIZED SUPPORT

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DCF Child Abuse & Neglect Careline**1-800-842-2288**

24/7 statewide reporting for suspected child abuse or neglect.

CT Dept. of Aging and Disability Services — Protective Services for the Elderly**1-888-385-4225**

For abuse, neglect, or exploitation of an older adult.

CT Dept. of Social Services — Client Information Line**1-855-626-6632**

TDD/TTY 1-800-842-4524 · General benefits and social services support.

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QUICK REFERENCE

Quick-Reference Contact Sheet

Print or save this page — every number in this guide, in one place.

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