

Police protocol in cases of domestic violence

Police officers have a manual printed on a small (handy) piece of paper which they can consult before making an intervention in cases of domestic violence. The manual contains all necessary information of how to behave to perpetrators, how to victims (and in particular to minors), and how to make other appropriate measures.

In addition, police officers have to read to victims a document which contains all relevant information, such as information on police or courts measures to perpetrators, shelters services, etc. This document, which also contains information about which concrete measures have been taken in relation to the concrete case, has to be signed by police officer and victim(s).

After coming to the police station officers have to fill a special document about all aspects of intervention.

Aims and objectives

To standardise protocol and behaviour of police officers in cases of domestic violence. To offer support and help to victims.

Results and impact

There is no evaluation available. According to the Gender Equality Ombudswomen 2010 Annual Report there were cases of mistakes of police in different cases, but in general police work in accordance to laws and policy.

Creator/owner/responsible institution

Police

Metadata

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