

Stalking Crime

**Stalking, Not Love but a Crime
A Prelude to Heinous Crimes**



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Stalking

Stalking involves infringing on a victim's safety, freedom, and peace through approaching, tracking, and monitoring.



Stalking can destroy
a victim's life.

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Seoul Subway Sindang Station Employee Murdered by 'Stalker'

Many see stalking as simply
'following and harassing the victim',
but it is a serious crime that can escalate to murder.

#01

Types of Stalking

Stalking can take many forms.
The perpetrator may enjoy the victim's fear or directly attack them.



Online Stalking

Unwanted contact or tracking through SNS, email, messages, etc., and leaking of personal information.

Offline Stalking

Harassment in daily life such as following, secret photographing, and trespassing.

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Victim's Suffering

Victims of stalking suffer greatly both physically and emotionally. This can lead to an inability to maintain their daily lives.



Physical Suffering : Sleep disturbances, deterioration of health, etc.



Emotional Suffering : Anxiety and fear, depression, PTSD, etc.



Social Suffering : Social isolation, work and academic problems, etc.



Digital Suffering : Cyberbullying, privacy invasion, etc.



Sending repeated messages,
giving unwanted gifts,
waiting in front of the house,
secretly following etc.

If these actions persist despite the other person's refusal, it is considered stalking.



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How to Handle It

If you suspect you are a victim of stalking or if you are already being stalked



- **Report to relevant authorities** : Police, court, women's and family welfare agencies, etc.
- **Minimize contact with the perpetrator** : Immediately block the perpetrator if they try to contact you through social media, phone, etc.
- **Collect evidence** : Gather evidence such as the perpetrator's texts, social media records, and record phone conversations.
- **Seek help** : Reach out to family, friends, a therapist, or a legal advisor for assistance.

If there is a stalking victim around you?



1. Listen and Support

- Acknowledge and understand the victim's feelings.

2. Respect the Victim's Decisions

- Support the victim in making their own decisions.
- Avoid urging or forcing any specific actions.
- Encourage the victim to regain confidence.

3. Avoid Secondary Victimization

- Refrain from blaming the victim for the incident.
- Do not criticize the victim's actions during the incident.

4. Provide Ongoing Support

- Maintain regular contact with the victim to ensure their well-being.

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Stalking Victim Support

- Victim counseling and healing programs

(Emergency Women's Hotline, Sexual and Domestic Violence Counseling Centers, Sunflower Centers, etc.)

- On-site response to stalking incidents
- Emergency measures and interim protection
- Incident reporting and counseling
- Legal advice and legal aid support



- From local governments, facilities, etc.
- Medical expense support

- Emergency shelters, protection facilities, etc.
- Assistance with changing residence

Stalking Victim Support Agencies

If you are experiencing stalking,
seek help anytime!



- **Police** : Report (visit, phone, text message) and protective measures (victim protection measures)
- **Women's Emergency Hotline 1366** : Available 24/7, offering legal advice, medical support, and shelter information.
- **Korea Sexual Violence Relief Center** : Offers specialized counseling for sexual violence and stalking victims, plus legal and psychological support.
- **Korea Legal Aid Corporation** : Provides legal counseling and support for stalking victims, and free lawyer services for those in financial need.
- **Other Resources** : Domestic violence counseling centers, Sunflower Centers, and community welfare centers.

Stalking Penalties

「Act on the Punishment of Stalking Crimes, etc.」

Basic Penalty: Up to 3 years in prison or a fine of up to 30 million won.

If a weapon or dangerous object is used: Up to 5 years in prison or a fine of up to 50 million won.

If the stalking causes the victim's death: Life imprisonment or imprisonment for more than 5 years.

「Amendment to the Stalking Penalty Act」 ^{NEW} (Amended on January 12, 2024)

Stalking offenders can be punished with up to 5 years in prison even if the victim does not want prosecution.

Public disclosure of the stalking offender's face and personal information.

Stalking offenders may wear electronic monitoring devices, and real-time access monitoring can be provided for the victim.



A 'Victim Protection Service' app is planned for development by late 2024 to monitor the perpetrator's access and more.



Don't Handle It Alone!

Your safety and rights are important.

If you are being stalked, contact the relevant agencies and seek help!

「Women's Emergency Hotline 1366」

Numbers : 1366

Websites : www.women1366.kr

「Korea Sexual Violence Relief Center」

Numbers : 02-338-5801

Websites : www.sisters.or.kr

「Korea Legal Aid Corporation」

Numbers : 132

Websites : www.klac.or.kr

