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# Domestic abuse is illegal

In the UK, it is illegal to hurt, threaten or control your partner or family.

This includes:

- hitting, pushing or any physical violence
- threatening or verbal abuse
- controlling their money or where they go
- honour-based violence or abuse



If you do any of these things, you may be reported to the police, and you may lose your asylum support.



If you are experiencing domestic abuse, you can get help. Getting help will not negatively affect your asylum claim.



Domestic Abuse Helpline England: **0808 2000 247**

Women's Aid Scotland: **0800 027 1234**

Live Fear Free Helpline Wales: **0808 80 10 800**

Domestic Abuse Helpline Northern Ireland: **0808 802 1414**

In an emergency, always call **999**