



Online Safety Laws

There are laws in place to fight the most severe types of online abuse.

The *Online Safety Act 2021* helps eSafety remove severely harmful online content.

Severe online harm can have an impact on people physically or on their mental health. It might be temporary, or it might have a permanent impact.

Severe harm to someone's mental health may include serious distress and negative feelings.

Some examples of severe online harm include:

- sharing intimate images without consent
- illegal or violent content
- extreme threats and harassment
- seriously threatening, harassing, intimidating or humiliating content that targets a child.

Go to [eSafety.gov.au](https://www.esafety.gov.au) to learn more, or to report serious online abuse.