

## Sextortion and Webcam Blackmail.



When someone records **intimate** sexual photos or videos of you and asks for money or favours, it is called **Sextortion**.

It is a kind of blackmail.



Intimate means personal and private.



They meet people on social media or dating websites and start a relationship with them.



The blackmailer might pretend to be someone else.



They will try to get people to send private sexual photos or videos.

They might record sexual photos and videos without you knowing about it.



This is then used to blackmail them for money or more photos or videos.



This **crime** can be committed by one person, or a group of people including criminal gangs from different countries.



Crimes are things that are against the law.

Criminals will use different ways to get you to pay them money. These can include:



- threats to share photos or videos of you
- blackmailing you for money to be sent through online banking
- getting your friends list from social media
- saying that you have been speaking to a person under 18

It is against the law in the United Kingdom to:



- share intimate photos or videos of someone without consent
- threaten to share intimate photos or videos of someone without their **consent**

**Consent** is being asked if you agree to something. This means saying yes or no.



You can phone the police to report this on this number: 101



If they are outside the UK, there may not be much the police can do.



Reporting this will still help them keep an eye on, and stop these crimes.



If you can, try to collect as much evidence as possible.



This would include:

- screenshots of the messages where the blackmail threats were made
- bank details they shared with you
- any other relevant communication

[Block](#)

[Report](#)

We would encourage you to:

- stop talking / communicating with them
- block and report their account



Do not pay them any money or do anything else that they ask you to.



They might only ask you for a small amount of money to start with.



This is so that you are more likely to give it to them.

If you give them money they will likely come back and ask for more.



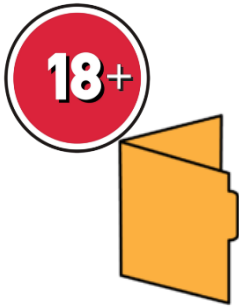
Ask for advice from your bank or the app you used if you have already sent money.



**StopNCII.org** supports victims of **non-consensual intimate image abuse**.

It can help to stop your images being shared online.

To get help from **StopNCII.org**, you must:



- be the person in the pictures/videos
- be over the age of 18 in the photos or videos
- have copies of the pictures/videos of you stored on your device before they can be hashed
- be nude, semi-nude or engaging in a sexual act in the photos or videos



Check your privacy settings across all your social media accounts.



Watch out for suspicious friend requests.



Set up Google alerts tagged with your name.

This means when anything is posted online about you, you will be alerted with an email.



We know how upsetting this can be.

Please make sure you get support from someone you trust.