

- Request assistance from a police officer when a large sum of cash has been withdrawn

Reporting a Crime

- **Call 112 immediately if you have witnessed or are the victim of a crime.**
 - After your call is connected, describe when, where and how you were involved in a crime. Also, describe the appearance, characteristics, number, actions and last known whereabouts of the offender(s).
 - 112 can be called on public telephones without payment by pressing the emergency call button (red emergency call button + 112). 112 can also be called to report emergencies other than crimes.
 - Crime scenes must remain untouched until the police arrive for collecting evidence. Cooperate with the police in a crime scene investigation.

Contacts for Help

Crimes/Emergencies

- Crime report: 112
- Fire/accidents/rescue: 119
- Cyber terror report/information: 118
- Personal information theft report/consultation: 1336
- Missing children report: 182

Sexual/Domestic Violence

- Emergency helpline for women: 1366
- Emergency helpline for migrant women: 1577-1366
- Emergency support center for women and youth victims of violence: 117

School Violence

- Youth consultation: 1388
- Emergency support center for women and youth victims of violence: 117
- School violence report: 1588-7179

Other Services

- Danuri call center (Civil affairs consultation for multi-cultural families.) 1577-5432
- Government service guide: 110
- Foreign tourist information: 1330
- Human right violation appeal/consultation: 1331
- Foreign laborers' human right information: 1588-1138
- Hospitals and health information; 1339

The Assistance Center for Foreigners is here for you

- **What is the Assistance Center for Foreigners?(Assistance Center for Foreigners)**

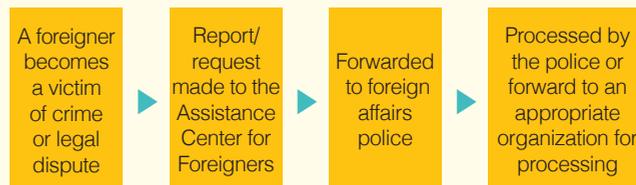


- The National Police Agency designates multicultural or religious organizations frequented by foreigners as an Assistance Center for Foreigners. Foreigners can visit an Assistance Center for Foreigners to report crimes and make civil appeals without visiting a police station.

- **What kind of assistance is provided?**

- Foreigners can visit an Assistance Center For Foreigners to report a crime or request a consultation on any inconveniences experienced while living in Korea. An assistant then forwards a received report or request to the police or foreign affairs police. Depending on the details of a report or request, the police or foreign affairs police may handle the case itself or forward it to an appropriate organization.

- **Process**



- Reported criminal activities, such as assault, domestic violence, school violence or fraud, are processed by the police and civil appeal on matters such as overdue wages, industrial accidents an residence status are forwarded to the Ministry of Labor, Ministry of Gender Equality & Family or Ministry of Justice. Depending on the details of a civil appeal made, the appellant can be directed to an embassy or consulate

※Domestic violence : Call the Emergency Helpline for Women on 1366 or the police on 112

- The Assistance Center for Foreigners also provides everyday legal knowledge, such as traffic regulations, safety regulations, traffic accident processing and accident prevention.

Consultations are provided to alleviate inconveniences experienced in the everyday life.

- **Where Can I Find an Assistance Center for Foreigners?**

- As of May 22nd, 2010 there are 291 Assistance Centers for Foreigners. Log on to <http://cafe.nver.com/facenter> for the address and phone number of an Assistance Center for Foreigners in your area.

Korean police will help you with your safe settlement to the society

- **You can be supported for the crime (damage) prevention education and the writing test for driver's license test.**

- The National Police Agency do the following in each district.
 - Implement the 'crime prevention education that searches for the people in need' where the police visit in person the areas where the foreigners get together, and teach them in detail on the crime cases that occur frequently and the things to have in mind and make consultations for them.
 - The police is operating the 'driver's license class for foreigners' that support with the language-specific study material and professional instructors and educate for free the writing test part of the driver's license test for support of safety and social settlement of the foreigners.
- For the crime prevention class and the foreigner driver's license class, you can consult and use the foreign affairs section or the foreigner helping center of the nearest police station.
- Also for those foreigners who are not familiar with the Korean language, the interpretation service can be provided using such services as the BBB(1588-5644), Emergency support center for immigrant women(1577-1366), integrated guidance center for foreigners(1345) etc when they call the 112 or use the police service such as the civil affair consultation.



Crime Prevention Guide for Foreigners



Unknowingly Committed Crimes

Parties responsible for violence, such as assault, extortion, trespassing, property damage, confinement, and blackmailing are more severely punished in the following cases.

- Repeated offenses
- Joint violence by 2 or more persons
- Violence through the threat of collective force
- Violence using weapons or other dangerous objects
- Organization of a group with the purpose of committing violence; joining or being active in such a group

Weapons, such as knives and spears, must not be carried without a permit.

<Penalty> A fine of up to 100,000 and/or detention in accordance with No. 2 of Article 1 of the Minor Offenses Act, imprisonment for up to 5 years and/or a fine of up to 10 million in accordance with Article 12 of the Weapons Control Act

Gambling and opening a gambling place

- Mah-jong(China), Hi-Lo(Thailand), Socdia(Vietnam), Poker and Hwatu must not be played for the purpose of gaining property.
- A person who opens a gambling place is also punishable as a person who gambles.

Telephone-Based Fraud(Voice Phishing)

- Selling or lending a bankbook to a third party can lead to criminal activities and is prohibited by law.
- Cash withdrawal agents and telemarketers working as part of a fraudulent group are also punishable for fraud offenses

Taking possession of properties that appear to be without owners (bicycles on road sides) is also punishable as theft.

Overseas money transfer between individuals without using a foreign exchange bank is punishable as a serious crime.

Foreigners over the age of 17 must always carry a form of identification [passport, alien registration card]. Failure to do so can result in a fine being imposed.

A fine can be imposed for any of the following activities and others not specified below that can disturb public order.

- Littering (cigarette butts, chewing gum, trash)
- Spitting and urinating in public places
- Smoking in non-smoking areas
- Riding a motorcycle without a helmet (both driver and passenger)
- Not using an overpass or a pedestrian crossing to cross roads

Crime Prevention in the Daily Life

Domestic Violence

- For issues that cannot be solved on your own, immediately notify the police, friends, relatives, relatives or colleagues and seek help.
- Obtain evidence (photographs, medical certificates) of physical injuries and seek consultation with a domestic violence specialist (Women's organizations, shelters).

Disappearance and abduction of children.

- Teach the children in a way that they do not follow the strangers when they act to them in a familiar way, and avoid the situation promptly, and shout so that the people around them can notice when the strangers try to take them somewhere forcefully or avoid by going to a nearest shop.
- Teach them that they have to remember the name, age, address and the names of their parents.
- Remember with whom and where your children go when they go out and ask them when they return home and remember what type of clothes they were wearing before going out.

School violence.

- The school violence means the act that accompanies the physical, spiritual and financial damage by the violence, threats and ostracizing etc that happens among the students in and outside of the school.
- Try for the improvement of student relationship such as the participation in group activities and friends making and improvement of problem solving ability and abstain from the behaviors and words and way of wearing costumes that are different from other students.
- It is good to procure the testimony of the surrounding friends that

have witnessed the accident and the personal information of the perpetrator, when and where and how you were assaulted

Sex crimes

- Prompt and stern rejection or resistance startles offenders and is effective.
- At the workplace, clearly express what you do and don't find comfortable. Remain professional during working hours and do not take part in conversations that are sexual in nature.
- Teach your children what are 'good' and 'bad' physical contacts.
 - Teach them to notify the parents or a teacher when someone speaks to them inappropriately or shows them inappropriate materials [picture, movies] and to avoid such individuals.
 - Teach them they can say 'no' to adults.
- If your child has been a victim of sex crime, go to a One-Stop Support Center, emergency room or police station without cleaning the child's body.
 - Take photographs of any bruises or wounds. Keep evidence, such as underwear, in an uncoated paper bag.
 - Preserve the location of sex crime for collection of evidence.

Guidance for declaration of the violence.

▷ The 117 emergency support center for victims for cases including women violence.

-Consultation, medication, investigation and legal support for the victims of school violence, violence within family, sexual assaults and sexual sale. : Comprehensive support such as connection to the shelter. (17 places nationwide in 16 cities and provinces. Free service for 24 hours for 365 days a year/)

-Guidance for its use and consultation on damages. : (With no area code) 117 or www.safe182.go.kr

Declaration using the cellular phone messaging function (#0117). Mobile web/App declaration. (m.safe.go.kr)

■ Declaration center for disappeared child search (Receipt of declaration and its treatment for 24 hours) : 182

■ Emergency support center for immigrated women : 1577-1366 or www.wm1366.or.kr

■ Korea Family Law consultation center. : 1644-7077 or www.lawhome.or.kr

Fraud

- When offers promising a high return are received from a person or organization suspected of being involved in an illegal multi-level sales operation, the person or organization must be checked for legitimacy.

※Verification of registered legal multi-level sales operators

-Fair Trade Commission (www.ftc.go.kr), mayors or provincial governors (Dept. of Economic Policies), Mutual Aid Cooperative & Consumer (www.macco.co.kr, 02-566-1202), Korea Special Sales Financial Cooperative Associations (www.mlunion.or.kr, 02-2058-0831)

- Parties using the names of public or financial organizations to demand personal information or cash transfers must be verified with the cited organizations.

Examples

-Demands for a child's ransom after creating a situation where the child cannot answer the phone

-Demand for tax returns by parties claiming to be an employee of the National Pension Service or National Health Insurance Corporation

-Demands for bill/fee payment by parties claiming to be an employee of a bank, credit card company or telephone/internet company

-Demands for personal/bank information by parties claiming to be an employee of an official organization (police, public prosecutor)

-A friend is asking to lend some money into the account of someone else not of his/her own in the messenger or in the mail.

- Refrain from direct transactions between individuals on the internet. When using an online store, verify its business registration details for legitimacy

-Net-Durumi (www.net-durumi.go.kr): Information on parties involved in online fraud

-Netan (www.netan.go.kr): Website for reporting online fraud

Theft [sneakthieving, pickpocketing, snatching]

- When leaving your house empty for an extended period of time(outings, vacations):
 - Make arrangements so that regularly delivered articles, such as newspapers or milk, do not accumulate in front of the house. Close and lock any openings [milk slots, pet doors].
 - Store valuables at a bank. When storing valuables inside the house, divide and store them in multiple locations.
- Females should keep bags or purses in front of the chest and males should keep their wallets in a front pant pocket.
- Bags and purses should be worn across the torso towards a wall or a side walk. Straps should not be excessively long.