



STOP sexual violence



ROLE OF THE SPVM IN SEXUAL ASSAULT AND SEXUAL DELINQUENCY



The mandate of the *Équipe des agressions sexuelles* is to solve investigations relating to sexual assaults committed in the Montréal area.

The mandate of the *Équipe de surveillance des délinquants sexuels* is to monitor sex offenders and register them annually with the National Sex Offender Registry when required by law.



WHAT IS A SEXUAL OFFENCE?

Sexual assault is a sexual gesture committed by a person towards another person, without the latter's consent.

There are other sexual offences such as, for example, indecent acts, voyeurism and exposure. These offences do not constitute sexual assault.

Sexual offences are **crimes**.



EXAMPLES OF SEXUAL OFFENCES PROHIBITED BY LAW:

Grabbing, groping, smacking or touching someone's private parts without their consent.

Kissing another person without their consent.

Showing your genital organs or masturbating in public in front of someone.

Spying on someone in their private life or trying to see someone's private parts, bottom or breasts.

Access, possess, make or distribute child pornography.

CONSENT

Consent is the voluntary agreement between partners to participate in a sexual activity.

Free

You are the only person who can decide whether to consent or not. Your consent is not free if another person puts pressure on you, insists, threatens you or uses force.

Informed

You should know exactly what is going to happen and what you agree to take part in. Your consent is only valid for the activity to which you consent at a given moment.

Reversible

You can change your mind at any moment and your choice should be respected.

Enthusiastic

You should be fully in agreement and at ease with what you are being proposed.

Source: Directeur des poursuites criminelles et pénales (DPCP)

EXAMPLES OF CIRCUMSTANCES WHERE CONSENT IS **NOT** VALID:

- ❌ The person is intoxicated (alcohol, drugs).
- ❌ The person is unconscious or sleeping.
- ❌ The person has changed their mind, shows discomfort or says no.
- ❌ The person has not clearly indicated their consent, through their gestures or words.
- ❌ A person uses manipulation, blackmail or threats.

The prevention of sexual violence inevitably involves education in **healthy, egalitarian relations** between people.

Silence or lack of refusal is not consent.

Consent cannot be obtained if the aggressor abuses a position of trust, power or authority.



YOUR ACTIONS HAVE REPERCUSSIONS ON VICTIMS:

Isolation

Loss of intimacy

Loss of interest

Shame / loss of self-esteem

Fear / anxiety

Depression

Suicide ideation

NATIONAL SEX OFFENDER REGISTRY

If you are found guilty of a sexual offence, you may be liable to imprisonment. In addition, as a convicted sex offender, you may be subject to obligations under the *Sex Offender Information Registration Act*. You may be required to register annually with the National Sex Offender Registry.

The Criminal Code defines the designated sexual offences for which an order to register with the National Sex Offender Registry may be issued by a judge, including:

Sexual interference | Invitation to sexual touching

Sexual exploitation | Bestiality

Child pornography | Exposure

Sexual assault | Incest

**Sexual assault with a weapon |
Luring a child**

Aggravated sexual assault

The National Sex Offender Registry is used to help police services prevent and investigate crimes of a sexual nature, while respecting the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms.
(Source: justice.gc.ca.)

If you have an order under the *Sex Offender Information Registration Act* and live in Montréal, you must register in person by making an appointment by phone at **514 280-8503** or by sending an email to rvregistre@spvm.qc.ca, for the number of years stated on your order(s) (10 years, 20 years, lifetime). If your home address is located outside Montréal, contact Sûreté du Québec at 1 866 958-4636.



DO YOU THINK YOU HAVE A PROBLEM? ASK FOR HELP.

Intervention Centre in Sexual Delinquency (ICSD)

Support services for adults or teenagers of all gender identities, who have committed a sexual crime or not and persons experiencing deviant fantasies without acting on them.

579 641-3941
cidslaval.com

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Support services for adults or teenagers of all gender identities who are experiencing suffering associated with sexual fantasies towards minors, with or without acting on them.

1 844 654-3111
casuffit.info

Groupe Amorce

Support services for sex offenders, whether subject to judicial control or not; consumers of child pornography and men who are sexually attracted to children (without acting on it).

514 355-8064
groupeamorce.com

GENERAL RESOURCES

Information and Referral Centre of Greater Montréal:

514 527-1388

Suicide action:

1 866 APPELLE (1 866 277-3553); text 535353

Tel-aide:

514 935-1101

Tel-jeunes:

1 800 263-2266; text 514 600-1002; Ch@t

Kids Help Phone:

1 800 668-6868 (24/7); text 686868