

## WHAT TO DO IF I AM A VICTIM OR A WITNESS OF A HATE CRIME?

Call 9-1-1 immediately.

Give as much relevant information as possible: the actions taken, what the aggressor said, as well as any other indication or information to confirm that this was a hate crime.

## WHAT IF I AM A VICTIM OR WITNESS OF A HATE INCIDENT?

To report a hate incident, you can complete a police report on the SPVM website by going to the address below:

[spvm.qc.ca/hate](https://spvm.qc.ca/hate)

You can also file a report at your neighbourhood police station.

**If you wish to report a hate incident or a hate crime anonymously, contact Info-Crime Montréal at 514 393-1133**



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## WHAT IS A HATE CRIME?

It is a criminal offense: "A crime is considered hate when it is motivated or suspected of being motivated by hatred of race, national or ethnic origin, language, color, religion, sex, age, mental or physical disability, sexual orientation or gender identity or expression or any other similar factor".

### Examples of hate crimes:

- Graffitiing nazi symbols;
- Making threats to a person because of his or her religion;
- Physically attacking a person because of the colour of his or her skin.

## WHAT IS A HATE INCIDENT?

A hate incident is a **NON CRIMINAL** act, which could affect the feeling of security of a person or an identifiable group of people whom, given the context may be perceived as such because of race, national or ethnic origin, language, color, religion, sex, age, sexual orientation or gender identity or expression or a disability in particular.

Insulting or offending a person due to their social status, in person or on social networks.

### Examples of hate incidents:

- Distributing offensive and unsettling material targeting an ethnic group;
- Insulting or abusing a person due to his or her social status;
- Committing vexatious acts against a person due to his or sexual orientation.

# Denounce and report!

## WHAT ARE THE IMPACTS OF HATE CRIMES AND INCIDENTS?

### For the victim

- A negative impact on self-esteem and human dignity;
- The degree of violence is often greater than any other type of crime;
- A fear of being recognized and that an incident would happen again;
- Humiliation;
- Isolation.

### For the community:

- Community members' sense of security may be affected;
- The community as a whole is affected;
- Hate incidents and crimes negatively impact our multicultural society.

## WHY SHOULD I REPORT A HATE CRIME OR INCIDENT?

The SPVM, prioritizes the fight against this type of crime, regardless of the seriousness of the act. It is essential for the SPVM to make the population aware of incident and hate crimes phenomenon and encourage its vigilance.