# Pre-sentence reports

## What is a pre-sentence report?

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|  | It is a report that tells the court more about you.  It helps the court make a better decision about you. |
|  | It is done after you said you were guilty **or** the court said you were guilty |
|  | It is written by a Youth Justice officer (or YJ officer). |
|  | The court must ask for this report if they are thinking about giving you one of these:   1. intensive supervision order 2. conditional release order 3. detention order. |
| What do I need to do? | |
|  | A YJ officer will see you a few times to get information. |
|  | Your parents or carers may come. |
|  | You can meet the YJ officer at the office. |

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| The YJ officer will talk to you about: | | |
|  | * you and your family | |
|  | * school | |
|  | * why you did the offence * what happened **after** the offence | |
|  | * how you feel about the victim | |
|  | * programs that can help you stop offending. | |
| Must I answer the questions? | | |
|  | | You can say as much as you want or as little as you want. |
|  | | The YJ officer may put your answers in the report. |
|  | | The YJ officer may also talk to other people after talking to you.  This will also help them understand what happened. |

## Who gets the report?

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|  | The YJ officer will talk to you and your family or carer about the report. |
|  | You may **not** get a copy if there is private information in it.  Like, if it talks about another person. |
|  | The court may say you can **not** get a copy. |
|  | Talk to your lawyer about the report. |

## Overview

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| **Who do I talk to in YJ?** | |
|  | **Ask for the intake officer.** |
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|  | Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
|  | Email \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ |
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