



Are you being stalked?

**TRUST YOUR
INTUITION and
GET HELP!**

*Report all crimes to the
UNCW Police Department:*

Emergency 911

Non-emergency 962-2222

Anonymously 962-TIPS or

www.uncw.edu/police

Emergency Call Boxes

Police Department
Division of Business Affairs



UNIVERSITY *of* NORTH CAROLINA WILMINGTON

Stalking

N.C. Gen. Stat. § 14-277.3. Stalking. 1991. Amended 2003.

- (a) Offense. - A person commits the offense of stalking if the person willfully on more than one occasion follows or is in the presence of, or otherwise harasses, another person without legal purpose and with the intent to do any of the following:
- (1) Place that person in reasonable fear either for the person's safety or the safety of the person's immediate family or close personal associates.
 - (2) Cause that person to suffer substantial emotional distress by placing that person in fear of death, bodily injury, or continued harassment, and that in fact causes that person substantial emotional distress.
- (b) Classification. - A violation of this section is a Class A1 misdemeanor. A person convicted of a Class A1 misdemeanor under this section, who is sentenced to a community punishment, shall be placed on supervised probation in addition to any other punishment imposed by the court. A person who commits the offense of stalking when there is a court order in effect prohibiting similar behavior by that person is guilty of a Class H felony. A person who commits the offense of stalking after having been previously convicted of a stalking offense is guilty of a Class F felony.
- (c) Definition. - For the purposes of this section, the term "harasses" or "harassment" means knowing conduct, including written or printed communication or transmission, telephone or cellular or other wireless telephonic communication, facsimile transmission, pager messages or transmissions, answering machine or voice mail messages or transmissions, and electronic mail messages or other computerized or electronic transmissions, directed at a specific person that torments, terrorizes, or terrifies that person and that serves no legitimate purpose.

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WHAT STALKERS DO

IS SOMEONE:

- Continuing to call you even though you have told them to stop
- Repeatedly leaving or sending you obscene, harassing or threatening messages
- Driving by your home, school or place of employment or intimidating you
- Persistently leaving or sending unwanted letters, notes, cards or gifts
- Watching you from a distance or following you
- Appearing unexpectedly at places you frequent or don't frequent "just by chance"
- Contacting and/or threatening your friends, family members, neighbors or coworkers
- Damaging or threatening to damage your home, car or other property?
- Threatening to harm or kill your pet

DO YOU FEEL:

- FEAR of what the stalker will do
- VULNERABLE, unsafe and do not know who to trust
- NERVOUS, irritable, impatient or on edge
- DEPRESSED, hopeless, overwhelmed, tearful or angry
- STRESSED, including having trouble concentrating, sleeping or remembering things
- CONFUSED, FRUSTRATED or ISOLATED because other people do not understand why you are afraid
- You have EATING PROBLEMS such as appetite loss, forgetting to eat or overeating

ARE YOU FEARFUL OF REPORTING BECAUSE:

- You think that nothing can be done to help you
- You minimize the risk the stalker poses
- You blame yourself for the stalker's behavior

TRUST YOUR INTUITION, and GET HELP!

- Stalking is a series of actions that makes you feel afraid or in danger.
- Stalking is serious, often violent and can escalate over time.

WHERE TO GO FOR HELP ON CAMPUS

**IF YOU FEEL THAT YOU ARE IN DANGER,
GET HELP IMMEDIATELY!**

Emergency 911 Listed below are campus resources available to assist you.

UNCW POLICE DEPARTMENT

For information, call (910) 962-2222 • Emergency, call 911

The UNCW Police Department will respond to calls for assistance, document incidents, conduct investigations and assist individuals with accessing other services. If situations occur beyond the law enforcement jurisdiction of the UNCW Police Department, the department will assist individuals in contacting appropriate law enforcement agencies and accessing other services. The UNCW Police Department operates 24 hours-a-day seven days-a-week and may be contacted by visiting the police department, which is located on the corner of Lionfish Dr. and Walton Dr., or as indicated below:

Emergency 911

Non-emergency (910) 962-2222

Anonymously 962-TIPS or www.uncw.edu/police

Emergency Call Boxes

The UNCW Police Department will:

- Assist in filing criminal charges and domestic violence protection orders
- Assist with contacting and then aiding other law enforcement agencies regarding incidents that occur off campus
- When appropriate, refer individuals to other university services such as Office of the Dean of Students, the Counseling Center or Department of Housing and Residence Life
- Refer incident(s) to the Campus Judicial System for violations of the Code of Student Life when appropriate
- Assist with contacting community resources such as Domestic Violence Shelter & Services Inc. or Rape Crisis Center
- Provide self-defense training for women through the RAPE AGGRESSION DEFENSE (RAD) program
- Monitor and respond to emergency call boxes located throughout campus that provide immediate access to the UNCW Police Department
- Provide escorts to and from buildings and vehicles
- Discuss additional awareness and personal safety measures

OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS

Fisher University Union 2017, (910) 962-3119

The Office of the Dean of Students is committed to student growth and self-responsibility by serving as student advocates and as a central resource for addressing student issues and concerns. Through collaboration with the university and Wilmington community, it provides assistance to all students, faculty and staff through policy clarification, conflict resolution, grievance procedures, confidential consultations and crisis management/intervention. Its mission is to foster a respectful and dynamic community that affirms the value and contributions of each individual and that harbors democracy, civility and diversity as paramount values.

The Office of the Dean of Students can:

- Encourage students to contact the UNCW Police Department or other appropriate law enforcement
- Assist in contacting other resources on campus
- Refer incident(s) to the Campus Conduct System for violation(s) of the Code of Student Life when appropriate
- Arrange an informal meeting with the student who is suspected of harassment
- Help facilitate the possibility of changing classes by coordinating with the academic deans in each of the colleges

CARE: ASSAULT RESPONSE & EDUCATION

Westside Hall 2nd floor, (910) 962-CARE

The CARE office provides educational programs about stalking, harassment and relationship abuse or violence, as well as sexual assault to student groups, classes or university departments. The CARE responder has been specifically trained to support victims and to consult with concerned individuals. Consultations are confidential and can be conducted by phone or in person.

The CARE office can provide:

- Consultation with any member of the UNCW community who is concerned about their own risk for or recovery from stalking or other types of abuse
- Collaboration with UNCW Police Department or other appropriate offices to offer support, safety planning and ongoing follow-up for students who are dealing with stalking or other interpersonal violence
- Consultation about how to help for those who want to support someone who has experienced stalking or other abusive behaviors

COUNSELING CENTER

Westside Hall 2nd floor, (910) 962-3746

UNCW students can receive counseling services during scheduled appointments, or, if in crisis, through daily walk-in services (Monday-Friday.) After business hours, on-call counselors can be contacted through the UNCW Police Department, (910) 962-2222.

The Counseling Center can provide:

- Counseling for personal, relationship or substance abuse issues intensified by the trauma of stalking or harassment
- Assistance in connecting with other resources available on or off campus
- Consultation with other campus offices involved in supporting students who are stalked or harassed

HOUSING & RESIDENCE LIFE

Between Schwartz Hall & Suites, (910) 962-3241

The Housing and Residence Life staff maintains an environment that is conducive to educational excellence by providing academic support, educational opportunities and challenges for individual residents. Opportunities for students to attain a greater appreciation and understanding of cultural and lifestyle differences and to explore opportunities for leadership and self-governance are integral to the on-campus experience.

Housing & Residence Life can:

- Assist with contacting UNCW Police Department
- Coordinate room changes

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SYSTEMS DIVISION (ITSD)

www.uncw.edu/itsd

The Information Technology Systems Division serves the varied information technology needs of the campus community through a combination of strategic planning and research of best-of-breed and best practices for the many services the division provides. ITSD provides E-911 service to all residence hall rooms and also provides cable interruption in case of emergency to cable TVs across campus. Additionally, the division focuses on online security and protection of information using university electronic resources.

Technology Assistance Center (TAC)

www.uncw.edu/tac

Hoggard/TSC 126, (910) 962-4357, tac@uncw.edu

The Technology Assistance Center is the first place faculty, staff and students should call for any technology-related question, problem or concern.

The TAC can answer questions and provide assistance for a number of issues related to online safety including:

- Social software (how to be safe online when using Facebook, MySpace, etc.)
- SPAM filtering
- Virus and spyware protection
- How to sign up for UNCW emergency text messaging notification

Please note: If you feel that you are being harassed electronically, contact UNCW Police.

Information Technology Security Office

www.uncw.edu/itsd/itsecurity.htm

The Information Technology Security Office is charged with safeguarding and coordinating the protection of the confidentiality, integrity and availability of all information processed, stored or transmitted using university electronic resources. The IT Security Office also offers safe computing consulting.

For IT security questions or to request safe computing consulting, please call the TAC at (910) 962-4357, or send an e-mail to IT Security at mitchamz@uncw.edu or nipperj@uncw.edu.

Network and Communications

Network and Communications Building

Across from UNCW Police on Lionfish Dr., (910) 962-3000

The Department of Network and Communications is responsible for facilitating, delivering and maintaining communications needs and services for the campus. These services included providing wired and wireless networking, Internet, telephones, voicemail and cable TV. The primary goal of Network and Communications is to facilitate the development of communications technologies in support of the university's stated missions and goals and to be responsive to the communications needs of its customers while doing so.

Network and Communications is available to assist students by:

- Arranging to change an on-campus telephone number
- Adding a message to your on-campus telephone number warning of the consequences of harassing calls

OFF-CAMPUS RESOURCES

WILMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

615 Bess St., (910) 343-3645, Emergency 911

NEW HANOVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

3950 Juvenile Center Rd., (910) 798-4161, Emergency 911

NEW HANOVER COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Domestic Violence Unit (910) 341-1416

- Detectives assigned to Domestic Violence Unit can provide assistance in filing criminal charges and domestic violence protection orders.

NEW HANOVER COUNTY MAGISTRATE'S OFFICE

New Hanover County Courthouse, Suite 318 (910) 341-1191

- Magistrate's Office, New Hanover Co. Jail. (910) 798-4160

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHELTER AND SERVICES

PO Box 1555, Wilmington, NC 28402

Phone (910) 343-0703, e-mail: dvoutreach@earthlink.net

www.domesticviolence-wilm.org

- Open 24 hours-a-day
- Assist in obtaining domestic violence protection orders
- Accompany and support individuals during court appearances
- Assist in arranging emergency shelter
- Provide free 911 cell phones
- Safety plan

COASTAL HORIZONS RAPE CRISIS CENTER

615 Shipyard Blvd. (910) 392-7460

To get to Rape Crisis Center, take S. College Rd. (going toward Carolina Beach). Merge right onto Shipyard Blvd. and travel approximately two miles. The center is located at 615 Shipyard Blvd. on the right, just before you get to Carolina Beach Rd.

- 24-hour crisis and intervention services
- 1-800-672-2903
- First Call For Help Line (910) 397-0497

PROTECTING YOURSELF ON AND OFF CAMPUS

- Tell your family, friends, and neighbors that you are being stalked. Tell them as much information as you can about the person stalking you. Be as specific as possible: include names, physical descriptions and type of vehicle(s) he/she drives. If possible, show them a picture of the person who is stalking you.
- Change your daily routine, routes to and from work, home and between classes. Tell your friends and co-workers of the changes you've made.
- Carry a cell phone with you at all times. Keep it next to your bed at night.
- Maintain a log that includes details regarding the date, time, content and length of unwanted calls, e-mails, instant messages and direct contact by the person stalking you.
- Change your phone number to an unpublished number, and get caller ID if it is available.
- Consider changing your social security number (SSN). The Social Security Administration will change your social security number in circumstances such as harassment, abuse or life endangerment situations (including domestic violence). To apply for a new SSN, you need to complete Form SS-5 (application for Social Security Card), which is available for download at <http://www.socialsecurity.gov/online/ss-5.html>. Or you can obtain form SS-5 by calling 1-800-772-1213 or visiting your local Social Security office. These services are free.
- Consider moving, changing your address and using post office box mail services.
- The North Carolina Attorney General's Office offers a program to assist victims of domestic violence and stalking. Through the Address Confidentiality Program, people escaping domestic violence, sexual assault or stalking can choose to receive first-class mail at an address designated by the Attorney General's office. In order to participate, victims must relocate or be in the process of relocating to a new address and must sign a statement that they fear for their safety or the safety of their children. Participants apply to the Address Confidentiality Program at community-based victim assistance programs across the state, where counselors will help decide whether the Address Confidentiality Program should become part of the survivors' overall safety plan. Coastal Horizons Rape Crisis Center has trained representatives to assist in completing forms. For more information about the program, please contact the program manager at: acp@mail.jus.nc.us or (919) 716-6785.

- When selecting living accommodations, consider the following:
 - Keep windows and doors locked even if you live off campus.
 - Select apartment complexes that are centrally located and have highly visible entryways.
 - Conduct or request assistance from law enforcement professionals in conducting a security survey of your home or apartment complex (before leasing or purchasing if possible).
 - Is lighting in parking lots and parking areas adequate or appropriate for the environment?
 - Are there functional locks on doors, windows and entranceways? Are there indications they have been tampered with or damaged?
 - Are there peepholes in exterior doors? Do the peepholes provide an adequate field of view?
 - Does the landscaping offer hiding places, escape routes or concealment for criminal activity? Are there blind alleys? Are the light fixtures blocked? Has the shrubbery grown over windows and entranceways? Notify the appropriate office/individuals (apartment manager, Dean of Students Office, Residence Coordinator or UNCW Police) to initiate corrective actions.
- Seek assistance with a threat assessment by trained professionals, e.g. law enforcement, victim services.
- File a police report for every contact made by the person stalking you.
- Obtain a Domestic Violence Protection Order or Restraining Order.

FILING A POLICE REPORT

Contact the law enforcement agency in your area. In an emergency, call 911. You will need to provide as much information about the incident as possible, specifically:

- Describe where the incident occurred
- Provide name, address, date of birth, physical description, vehicles and any weapons the suspect has. While you may not know all of this information, it is important to provide as much as possible.
- Officer may need to photograph injuries that you may have. They also will need to document any property damage that may have occurred.
- You may be encouraged to go to the hospital for medical evaluation and treatment.

- Criminal charges can be filed at the Magistrate’s Office anytime, day or night.
- Inform the officer if you have filed other reports with other law enforcement agencies.
- Once you have filed a report, you will need to participate in all hearings and attend court sessions as directed. Document for yourself the events that occurred. Keep any medical or repair bills you receive in connection with the incident.

FILING CRIMINAL CHARGES, DOMESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTION ORDER AND/OR CIVIL NO-CONTACT ORDER

Domestic violence protection orders and civil no-contact orders are initiated through the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of New Hanover County, suite 500, New Hanover County Courthouse, (910) 341-1416. Information packets with forms are available 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. Monday - Friday in the clerk’s office.

- When applying for the domestic violence protection order or civil no-contact order, you will appear before a district court judge. Ask the judge to include in the order provisions that restrict the defendant from being permitted on any property of the University of North Carolina Wilmington (UNCW). If the defendant is a student, the Dean of Students Office and UNCW Police should be consulted for additional assistance. However, at a minimum, you should request that the judge restrict the defendant’s access to UNCW buildings except when his/her classes are held and only during those times of normal class schedules. You also are encouraged to request that the judge prohibit the defendant from attending any events held on UNCW property.
- When the domestic violence or civil no-contact order is obtained, you should keep a copy with you at all times. You should provide copies to the UNCW Police Department, Wilmington Police Department or law enforcement agency in the jurisdiction of your residence or place of employment.

To get to the courthouse, take Market St. toward downtown. Turn right onto 4th St. The courthouse is on the left on the corner of 4th St. and Princess St. The magistrate's office is located in the courthouse in suite 318. This office is open only during regular business hours Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. There is a magistrate located at the New Hanover County Jail, which is open 24 hours-a-day, seven days-a-week. To get to the New Hanover County Jail, travel north on College Rd. as if you were leaving town. Take exit 420B. Continue for about three miles, and turn left onto Blue Clay Rd. Go about a half mile, then turn right onto Juvenile Center Rd. Ask the desk officer to see the magistrate.

Stalking Incident Log

Suspect Information

Name
Address
Telephone Number
Sex
Height
Weight
Eye Color
Hair Color
Hair Length
Skin Tone
Facial Hair
Build
Scars, Marks or Tattoos
Clothing Description
Additional Information

Vehicle Information

Make
Model
Year
Color
License Plate Number and State
Number of Doors
Additional Equipment (tint, rims, etc.)

Stalking Incident Log

Incident Description

Date	Time	Location	Witness	Police Called	Report Number	Officer Name
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Resources for information on stalking

Stalking Resources Center www.ncvc.org/src

Women's Law Initiative www.womenslaw.org/safety.htm

New Hanover County District Attorney Office
..... www.nccourts.org/County/DA5.asp

Domestic Violence Shelter & Services dvoutreach@earthlink.net

Rape Aggression Defense www.rad-systems.com



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