

Think Before You Share

Respecting Each Other
Online and Offline



What Is Harmful Sexual Behaviour?

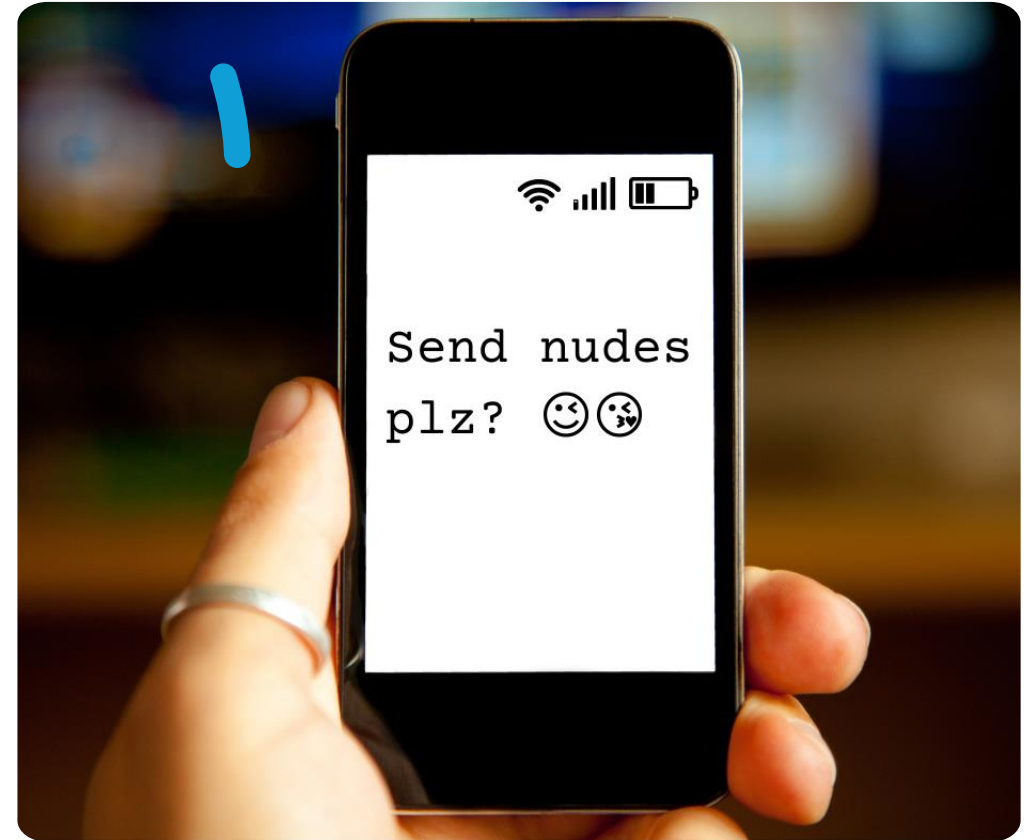
Can include, but not limited to:

- Unwanted sexual comments, touching, or behaviours
- Sharing indecent images (nudes or sexual content)
- Pressuring someone to send images
- Sharing someone else's private content



Real-Life Scenarios

- Scenario 1: Someone shares an image of themselves with a boyfriend/girlfriend.
- Scenario 2: The above happens, but it then gets forwarded.
- Scenario 3: Someone pressures another person for a nude.
- Scenario 4: A group shares an image in a group chat “as a joke.”



Why People Share: Let's Be Honest

- Pressure from a partner
- Wanting attention or validation
- Thinking “everyone else is doing it”
- Not understanding the risks



These aren't just
bad choices...

They're
behaviours that
hurt others and
can break the
law.



The Law – What Does It Say? (UK Law)

- **It is illegal** to **take, possess, or share** sexual images of anyone under 18 — even if it's of yourself.
- This applies even if both people are underage and agree to it.
- **The Sexual Offences Act 2003** treats these as criminal offences.
- **Child Pornography:** in criminal law, any visual depiction of a minor (a person who has not reached the age of consent) engaging in sexually explicit activity.

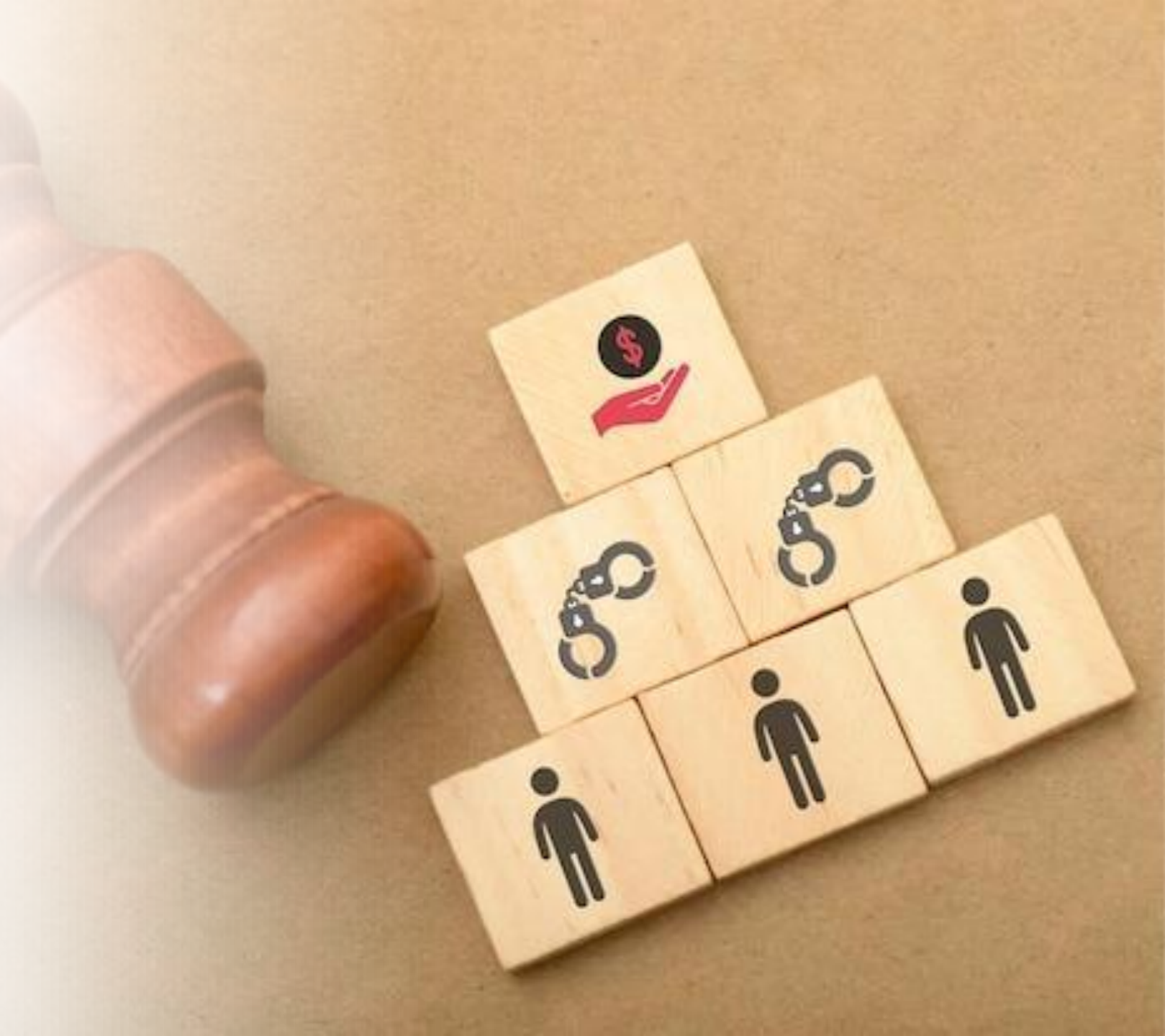


Sexual Offences Act 2003

Consequences

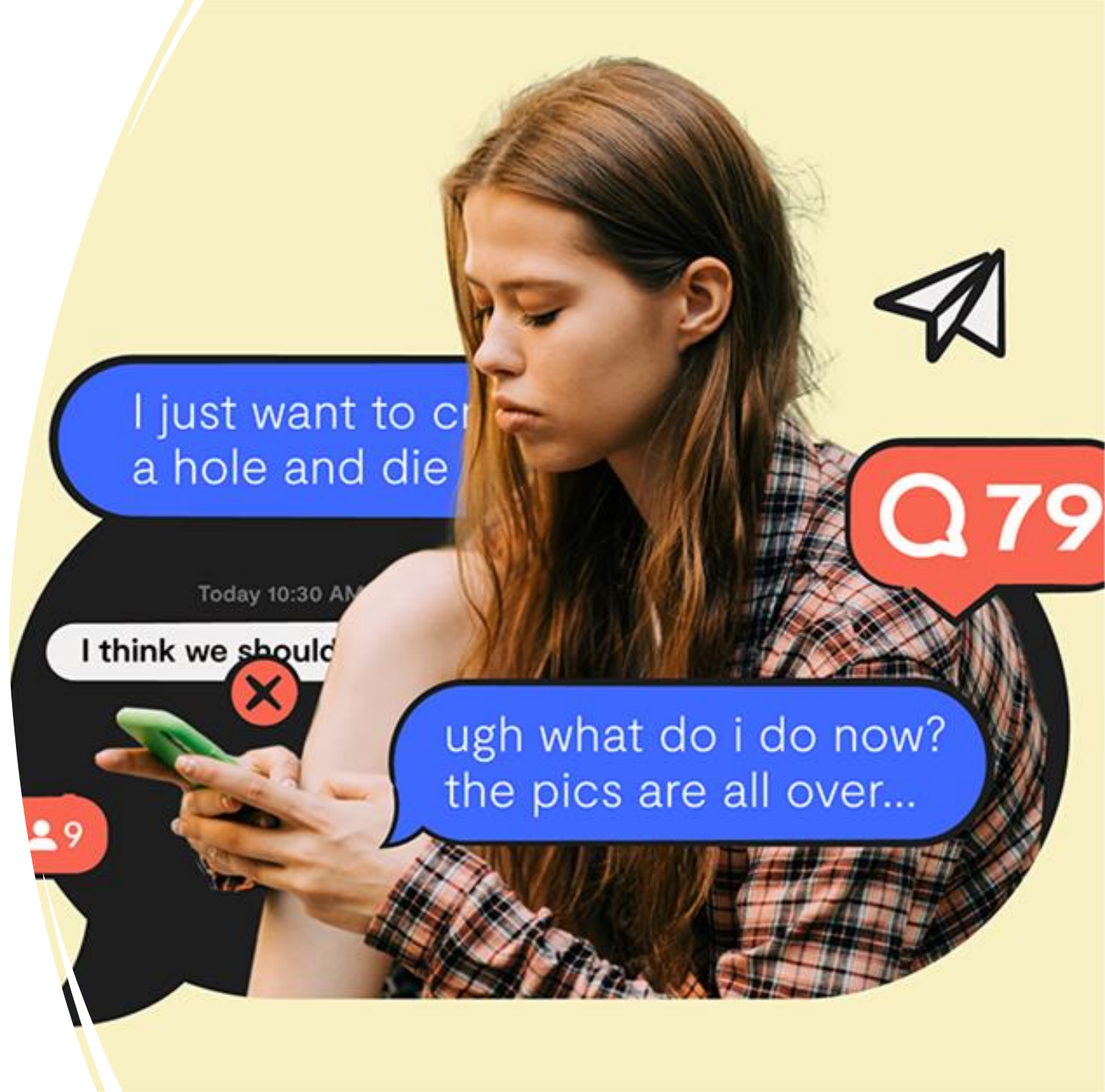
– Legally

- You could be investigated by the police
- You could face charges and prosecution under The Sexual Offences Act 2003
- It could be flagged on an enhanced DBS check
- It might affect college/university admissions
- Could be classed as a **sex offence**



Consequences: Personally and Socially

- Reputational damage – people will remember
 - Humiliation and bullying
 - Damage to friendships or relationships
- Employers or colleges seeing past behaviour online
 - Losing control of the images/narrative



Consequences: In School

- Mobile phone confiscated for significant period of time.
- Harmful Sexual Behaviours Referral
- Referrals to Police and other authorities.
 - **First offence:** 2-day suspension
 - **Second offence:** 5-day suspension
- **Third offence:** Movement to another school or permanent exclusion

This is about safety, not punishment. We have a zero-tolerance policy because we take your wellbeing seriously — and the wellbeing of others.



How to Say No

- “I’m not comfortable with that.”
- “That’s not okay — I’m not getting involved.”
- "I don't want to do that/I don't think you should do that"

If you need help with someone pressuring you to send inappropriate messages/images, talk to a trusted adult, Head of Year, or safeguarding lead.



What If It's Already Happened?

- The sooner you act, the more can be done to help!
- **Tell a trusted adult** – Parent, Form Tutor, Teacher, Head of Year, safeguarding lead – anyone that you know will help you.
- **DO NOT FORWARD** - Remember: sharing is illegal under the age of 18!
- **Report Remove**: Report Remove is here to help young people under 18 in the UK to confidentially report sexual images and videos of themselves and remove them from the internet
- **Take It Down**: This service is one step you can take to help remove online nude, partially nude, or sexually explicit photos and videos taken before you were 18.



Nude image of you online?
We can help take it down.



Message to Parents - Help Us Keep Your Child Safe

- Please talk with your child about respectful online behaviour
- Check privacy settings and app usage
- Help them understand that real-life consequences follow digital actions





No one deserves to be embarrassed, pressured, or hurt like this. The smartest people don't fall into traps — they step around them.
Be that person.

You Are Worth Protecting – And So Are Your
Friends

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Links:

ReportRemove: <https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/report-remove/>

Take It Down: <https://takeitdown.ncmec.org/>

Child Exploitation and Online Protection: <https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre>