

An Garda Síochána - Police and Security Service of Ireland



Information



An Garda Síochána (also commonly referred to as the Gardaí) is Ireland's National Police and Security Service. We have responsibility for carrying out all policing and security functions in Ireland and our mission is 'Keeping People Safe'. Our role includes; assisting victims of crime, crime prevention, community engagement, crime investigation and road safety. An Garda Síochána has a proud tradition in serving communities and protecting the State with over 16,000 dedicated Garda members, Civilians and Reserve members committed to the objective of ensuring that a functioning police and security service is the cornerstone of a democratic and progressive society. The core values of the organisation are: Service Delivery, Honesty, Accountability, Respect, Professionalism and Empathy.

For more information visit the Garda website on www.garda.ie

 **In an emergency always dial 999/112**

You should use this service if a crime or incident is happening or if anyone is in immediate danger. 999/112 calls have the highest priority and your call will be handled by trained call-takers. We will take appropriate steps to deal with all incidents and ensure that emergency and life threatening calls receive priority. We will endeavour to get to you within 15 minutes in urban locations and as soon as possible, given the distance to be travelled, in more rural areas.



Non-emergency or general enquiries

For non-emergency or general enquiries, contact your nearest and/or local Garda Station. Telephone numbers for all Garda stations and key offices are available at [Garda Stations Directory](http://www.garda.ie) on www.garda.ie

Local Garda Diversity Officers, trained to support diverse / minority communities, are available in each Garda Division and are available to assist with your policing needs. A list is available on www.garda.ie / [Find your local Garda Diversity Officer](http://www.garda.ie)



You must have motor insurance to drive your vehicle on Irish roads.

Motor insurance is designed to protect you against liability in the event of an accident. It will cover the costs of the other driver's property and injuries if you are found at fault for an accident. If you are involved in an accident and found not to be at fault, the insurance of the responsible party will cover your costs. When you buy a motor insurance policy from an insurance company, you will get an insurance disc and a certificate of insurance. You must clearly display a current insurance disc on your vehicle at all times when driving. You must produce a current certificate of insurance when paying for motor tax. Guidance on what you must do if you are involved in a road traffic collision is available on www.garda.ie.