

# Let's Talk about Sexting

This is a tool to support youth workers to raise awareness among young people in relation to sexting



#### What is sexting?

Sending, receiving or forwarding of images, videos & text that are sexually explicit



### What is meant by sexually explicit?

Any image, video or text where the genitals/anus/breasts are the focus



### What are genitals?

The sexual organs; the testicles, penis and vulva

Child Pornography (also referred to as child sexual abuse images) can be described as the depiction of children & young people (under 18) in a sexually explicit manner in images, videos or in written text.

Please note: Images can be used to threaten, harass or blackmail which may lead to upset and/or trauma. These images may include an image of breasts or someone in their underwear

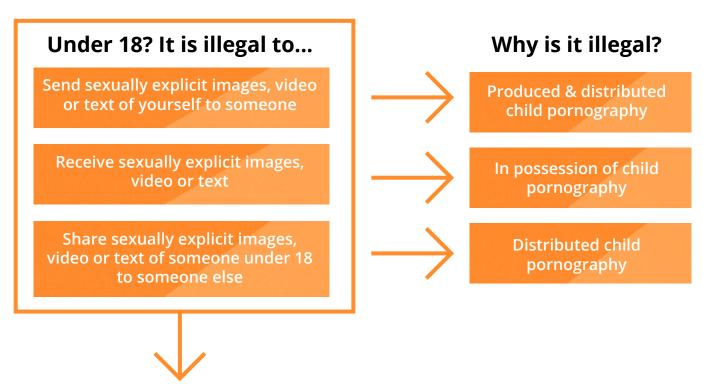


There are more young people that do not engage in sexting than those that do





It is illegal to send, receive or share sexually explicit images, video or text of someone under 18 years of age



if you have been sent a sexually explicit image/video/text that makes you feel uncomfortable: ask the sender to stop, talk to a youth worker/trusted adult & report to An Garda Síochána- do not forward this image on to anyone else



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## For additional information, including for parents, please visit www.ispcc.ie & check out the supports and information section below



- > An Garda Síochána: 999/112 or visit garda.ie
- > The National Youth Health Programme: vouthhealth.ie
- > Crisis Textline Ireland:
- > Text TALK to 50808
- > Teenline- 1800833634



- > Cybersafeireland.org
- > Jigsaw.ie
- > Spunout.ie
- > Webwise.ie
- > Hotline.ie

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