

REPORTING MISSING PERSONS -

People who are Deaf or hard of hearing, or who have a speech impairment

A missing person is anyone who is reported missing to police, whose whereabouts are unknown and there are genuine fears for their safety or concerns for their welfare. This includes anyone missing from any institution, excluding escapees. There is no age or time limit on reporting.

You do not have to wait 24 hours to report someone missing and it is not an offence for a person to go missing.

To report a missing person, you should attend a police station or if this is not possible arrange for police to visit you. You can also ask for police to arrange for an Auslan interpreter if required.

To find your local police station, please visit:

https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/about_us/regions_commands_districts

Reports can not be accepted by email or over the phone.

For further information on what you need to know to report a missing person is located in the NSW Police Force Missing Persons Registry Fact Sheet:

https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/pdf_file/0005/735107/MPR_Information_sheet.pdf

Support, information, referrals and counselling to families and friends of missing people in NSW is provided by the Families and Friends of Missing Persons Service (FFMPS) - Victims Services. The FFMPS does not search for people.

FFMPS:

Phone **1800 633 063 (option 7)**

Email ffmps@justice.nsw.gov.au

Web <https://victimsservices.justice.nsw.gov.au/victims-services/how-can-we-help-you/programs-and-initiatives/families-and-friends-of-missing-persons-service.html>