

# Recognizing Domestic Violence in Teen Dating Relationships



## Types of Abuse

- Physical such as hitting, kicking, slapping
- Sexual such as sexting or any form of force or coercion of a sexual nature
- Psychological Aggression such as threatening, degrading, isolating
- Stalking by repeatedly following in person or online causing upset and fear

Source: [www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pdf/tdv-factsheet.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pdf/tdv-factsheet.pdf)

## Signs of Abuse

- Out of control of anger or jealousy
- Invades privacy
- Blames you and takes little or no responsibility
- Falsely accuses you
- Keeps tabs on you and who you are with

Source: [www.teendvmonth.org/resources/signs-teen-dating-violence](http://www.teendvmonth.org/resources/signs-teen-dating-violence)

## Consequences of Teen Dating Violence

- Lower school performance
- Missing school
- Increase risk of drug abuse
- Enter into making poor decisions regarding health
- May adversely affect ability to be successful in future endeavors
- May continue to be involved in abusive relationships

Source: [youth.gov/youth-topics/teen-dating-violence/consequences](http://youth.gov/youth-topics/teen-dating-violence/consequences)

## Law

"According to (A.R.S. § 13-3601(B)), A police officer may arrest a person if the officer has probable cause to believe that domestic violence has been committed or if the officer has probable cause to believe that the person to be arrested has committed the offense (domestic violence)"

Source: [www.lawforkids.org/dating-violence](http://www.lawforkids.org/dating-violence)

## Resources for Help

- National Domestic Violence Hotline  
(800) 799-7233  
[www.thehotline.org](http://www.thehotline.org)
- Arizona Coalition Against Domestic Violence  
(800) 782-6400  
[www.acesdv.org](http://www.acesdv.org)
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention  
[www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/intimatepartnerviolence/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/intimatepartnerviolence/index.html)
- Teen Dating Violence  
[www.teendvmonth.org](http://www.teendvmonth.org)

