

# What happens to a person's visa if there is domestic and family violence?



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If you are on a temporary visa and have either experienced or used domestic and family violence, it is important to get immigration advice.

## If you have experienced domestic and family violence



If you are in Australia on a temporary visa, and you are a victim of domestic and family violence, you may be worried about what happens to your visa if you leave your partner or get a Domestic Violence Order.

You may be worried that leaving your partner could mean you will be forced to return to your home country.

In some cases, if you are experiencing domestic and family violence, you may be able to end your relationship with your partner and still be granted a permanent visa. It's important to get immigration advice about your situation.

## If you have a Domestic Violence Order against you



If you are on a temporary visa, and you have been charged with a domestic and family violence offence, it could affect your ability to stay in Australia. You should get immigration advice about this.

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