



Tusla Web Portal

A Short Guide to Submitting Child Protection and Welfare Reports Online

Tusla Web Portal - v.1.9



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Welcome to the Tusla Portal

The Tusla Portal allows you to create Child Protection and Welfare Reports online and to securely interact with Tusla. Over time, more Tusla services will be available from the Portal as an alternative to the current paper-based forms.

The Benefits of Submitting Online

Benefits the Portal brings when reporting a child protection and welfare concern to Tusla include:

- An immediate channel to report a concern
- Easier and reduced data entry for the reporter
- An acknowledgement of receipt of the report and a unique tracking number
- A permanent summary receipt of making a submission to Tusla
- The ability to print the submitted report for your own records
- A safe and secure channel for submitting information to Tusla
- Online instructions and validation-checks to assist in successfully completing a report

The Portal and Data Privacy by Design

The Portal has been designed using the principle of Data Privacy by Design. This means the Portal is secure, with all personal data encrypted and retained on the Portal for a minimal, to adhere to this principle, the following rules are implemented:

- A reporter has 4 days to complete and submit a Child Protection and Welfare Report, from the time you first create the report on the Portal, the purpose of this is to prevent unsubmitted, potentially inaccurate and incomplete personal data being retained.
- Once a Child Protection and Welfare Report is submitted, it is transferred to Tulsa's internal systems. You can still view and print a record of the submitted report for up to 48 hours after the report has been submitted.

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Getting Started

To use the Tusla Portal, you will need to register as a user if you have not previously done so, both non-mandated and mandated persons (as defined in Schedule 2 of the Child First Act 2015) can use the Portal to report secure Child Protection and Welfare Reports.

For further details about registering for a new account and logging onto the Tusla Web Portal, please refer to "<u>Logging onto the Tusla Web Portal Guide</u>".



Submitting a Child Protection and Welfare Report

After logging on, the Home screen is presented.

TUSLA An Ghafamha Leanni agus an Child and Pamil	izeacht um a Teaghlach ly Agency	
	~	Welcome to the Tusla Portal
A Home		The Tusla Portal allows professional persons, external agencies and schools to securely interact with Tusla. Over time more and more Tusla services will be available on this portal as an alternative to current paper based forms.
My Submissions		All information entered on the portal is safely and securely managed. Click here to view the Portal's Data Privacy Statement.
\equiv New Submission	+	For any queries relating to Child Protection and Welfare Report or Retrospective Abuse Report: Please contact us at portalsupport@tusla.ie.
🔔 My Account	+	For any queries on the making of a report, or to discuss the content of your report, please contact your local social work team. To see the contact details of your local social work team, see this link: <u>Social Work Teams</u> .
Contact us		Child Protection and Welfare Report - User Guide

New Submission – Submitting a Report

To create a submission, click on My Submissions, the following popup is displayed.



Click on "Child Protection Welfare Report" to start the ten-step submission process. The steps are presented as forms, each to be completed before moving to the next. Fields that must be entered are marked with a *. When a form is completed, click on Save and Next Step

A progress bar shows how much of the submission has been completed





Start

Please read the information displayed on this form before proceeding.

Area



Enter your Tusla area, it is important that you choose correctly to ensure that you report is directed correctly.



Child

Click on the green button, the following popup will be displayed, enter the information and click **Save**.

Add Child			×
First Name *		Surname *	
Date of Birth *		Estimated Age	
day/month/year			
Gender *			
	۳		
Address 1 *		Address 2	
Town/City *		County *	-
Eircode			
Select School by Type			*
Select School by County			_
			•
School			
		٣	0
		Cancel	ave



Concern

Details of Concerns *	
Please see Tusla Children First – A G	uide for the Reporting of Child Protection and Welfare Concerns for additional assistance on the steps to consider in making a report to Tusla.
Concern Type *	 Child Welfare Concern Emotional Abuse Neglect Physical Abuse Sexual Abuse
Detail of Concern * (max 500 words)	

Choose the appropriate Concern Type/s and enter details of the concern up to a maximum of 500 words.





Click on the green button, the following popup will be displayed, enter the information and click **Save**.

Add Details of Person Allegedly C	ausin	g Harm		×
Relationship				
				*
First Name *		Surname *		
Date of Birth *		Estimated Age		
day/month/year				
Gender	-	Telephone		
Organisation	•	Occupation		
Position Held				
Address 1		Address 2		
Town/City		County		
				•
Eircode				
Address at time of alleged incident				
If you entered name as unknown abo	ve plea	se indicate reason		
				- 11
			Cancel	Save

Reporter

Complete this form if more than one person is making the submission.



Details of other repo	rter(s) where a joint report is being made in a professional capacity, use your professional address.
+ Other Reporter(s)	

Click on the green button, the following popup will be displayed, enter the information and click **Save**.

Add Other Reporter	×
First Name *	Surname *
Mobile	Telephone
Organisation	Position Held
Email Address	
Address 1 *	Address 2
Town/City *	County *
Eircode	
	Cancel Save





This form relates to family composition, click on the green button, the following popup will be displayed, enter the information and click **Save**.

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Relationship *			
Lives in some boundaries and a shift			*
Lives in same nousehold as the child?			
Is legal guardian?			
			*
First Name *		Surname *	
Date of Birth *		Estimated Age	
day/month/year			
Telephone		Mobile	
Email Address			
Address 1		Address 2	
Address 1 Town/City		Address 2 County	
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Address 1 Town/City Eircode		Address 2 County	Ţ
Address 1 Town/City Eircode		Address 2 County	Ţ
Address 1 Town/City Eircode Additional Information		Address 2 County	•
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Organisation



If other organisations have been involved in the situation being reported on, click on the green button, the following popup will be displayed, enter the information and click **Save**.

Add Other Organisation, Personnel or A	gency	×
Select Profession *		
Recent Contact		•
First Name *	Surname *	
Telephone	Mobile	
Email Address		
Address 1	Address 2	
Town/City	County	٣
Eircode		
		Cancel Save



Other



Please select the correct response to the first two questions, any further information can be optionally entered as well.

Finish

Finish
Please click the Submit to Tusla button below to submit this Child Protection and Welfare Report to Tusla, please note:
 You will receive an email within 1 day confirming your report has been successfully submitted.
 If you do not receive this email, you should consider your report as not received and contact your local Tusla office directly to clarify.
 Details of local Tusla offices are available from Tusla Local Area Offices.
· Please note the online reporting system allows reporters to print a copy of their report form at submission time, and up to 48 hours after submitting from the 'My Submission' list.
 You will receive an email receipt and at any future time you can return to this system to view the high level record of your submission(s).
 However, please note all details of concern and the persons involved will no longer be visible. This again, is in line with the Data Privacy Statement for this system.
Preview Submit to Tusla

Read the information displayed, there are two choices, either Preview or Submit:

- Clicking on **Preview** will display the information entered in document format and details can be changed by returning to the previous forms
- Clicking on **Submit to Tusla** then a Unique Tracking Reference Number, as shown below, will be provided; you can print a copy of your submission if you so wish. You will also receive an email.



Your unique tracking reference number is: 48677			
Tusla, the Child and Family Agency, hereby acknowledge and thank you for completing a Child Protection & Welfare Report Form.			
You will receive an email within 1 day confirming your report has been successfully submitted.			
If you do not receive this email, you should consider your report as not received and contact your local Tusla office directly to clarify.			
Details of local Tusla offices are available on www.tusla.ie.			
If you think a child is in immediate danger, or a child is in danger outside of office hours, you should contact An Gardai Síochána.			
Please note you can click the Print button below to print a copy of your Submission for your records.			
Ok Print			

After submitting the report, you will also receive an email within one day confirming that your report has been successfully submitted.

If you do not receive this email, you should consider your report as not received and contact your local Tusla office directly to clarify.

You also have a further opportunity to print a copy of your report by clicking on the **Print** button.



My Submissions – Managing Previous Reports

This menu option gives users the opportunity to review Submitted reports and to edit Unsubmitted ones

Submitted Reports

My Submissions	
Child Protection Welfare Report. Ref No: (48677). Status: Receipt Acknowledged by Tusla. Date Submitted: Oct 1, 2019	■ View

If you previously completed and submitted a report to Tusla, it will show up under 'My Submissions' with the opportunity to view and print the report. **This option is only available for 48 hours after submission.**

Unsubmitted Reports

My Submissions		
Child Protection Welfare Report, Ref No: (52057), Status: Un-submitted	前 Delete	🕜 Edit

This option displays reports that have been created that were not submitted. Unsubmitted reports are kept for 4 days, after that you are automatically deleted. A reference to an unsubmitted deleted report will be shown with the status "Expired and Deleted" but no further action is possible.

Unsubmitted reports that are less than 4 days old can either be edited or deleted. Choosing **Edit** will return you to the same screens that were used to create the report originally. Choosing **Delete** will result in the report being fully deleted from the Portal, in this case the report will not have been submitted to Tusla.

My Account – Changing Your Settings Four options are available under My Account;

- Update Profile
- Update Password
- Update Mobile Verification
- Update Submission Types



If you are still using the PAC method of verification, then 'Update Mobile Verification' will be replaced with 'Update Personal Access Code'.

Personal Details		
First Name *	Surname *	
Alan	Mayfield	
Address Line 1 *	Address Line 2	
Gortaway		
Town/City *	County *	
Ramelton	Donegal	
Eircode	Landline Telephone	
Hide my mobile number in my submissions		
Profession Type *		
13. Member of An Garda Síochána	*	
Organisation/Profession	Position Held	

Use this form to update your personal details such as name and address. You can also update your profession and hide your mobile number from submissions if you so wish.

The next three forms are self-evident.

Update Password

Update Password		
New Password *	Confirm New Password *	
Save		

Update Mobile Verification

Current Mobile Verification Number IE (+353) Send Code	Update Mobile Verification		
IE (+353) V Send Code	Current Mobile Verification Number		
	IE (+353)	Ŧ	Send Code



Update Personal Access Code

New personal access code *	Confirm new personal access code *

It is recommended that you move to Mobile Verification for added security.

Update Submission Types

Update Submission Types	
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✓ Child Protection Welfare Report	
Early Years School Age Service	
School Age Childminding	
Retrospective Abuse Report	

Use this form if you wish to be able to submit other types of submission.

Contact Us

Contact information is available under this tab.



Exiting the Portal



You can logout by clicking on the down arrow in the Welcome widget in the top left side of the screen.

The Portal will automatically log you out after 30 minutes of inactivity, this is a security feature to help ensure that submissions are not visible if your PC/laptop is left unattended.