



# REPORTING POLICE BRUTALITY

## TAKING ACTION

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### PROCEDURE ON THE DAY



#### SEEK TREATMENT

If you have sustained any injuries, be sure to seek medical treatment before taking any further action.



#### DOCUMENT VIOLENCE

If possible, attempt to record or photograph any violence you see taking place.



#### IDENTIFY OFFICERS

Get the name and rank of any officers involved. An officer cannot conceal his rank or badge.



#### DOCUMENT INJURIES

As soon as possible, take photos of any injuries you sustained.



#### VISIT A DOCTOR

Visit a doctor and get a full written report of all your injuries.

**SAPS must notify IPID of any use of force at a protest.** Separately, IPID is also obliged to investigate any complaint of assault against a SAPS member.

### TAKING ACTION AGAINST LAW ENFORCEMENT



#### LAY A CHARGE

Visit the nearest SAPS station to where the protest was held and lay a charge against the officers involved.



#### COMPLAIN TO IPID

Lodge a complaint with the Independent Police Investigative Directorate (IPID) by calling 012-399-0000.



#### PURSUCE CIVIL CLAIM

Seek legal council and file a lawsuit against the SAPS. The quality of your evidence from the day will greatly assist your case.



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