

Collective norm media sector

The media sector agrees that PersVeilig is always notified of behaviors that are perceived as threatening and intimidating in relation to journalistic work. This is necessary to stay up to date with regard to threats.

The media sector also agrees with the collective norm below. The police and the Public Prosecution Service support this standard and, in the event of a violation of the collective standard, will act in accordance with the agreements in the PersVeilig protocol .

A declaration is always made in the following cases. This is the collective norm of the media sector:

- Threat (for example, verbally, via a threatening letter, via social media or via sources, unless the journalist decides for ethical reasons that no declaration must be made (disclosing sources, for example)
- Physical violence (if there is injury and / or damage)
- Sexual violence (rape , assault, attack , etc.)
- Discrimination (based on skin color, religion, gender, sexual orientation or preference)
- Stalking / systematic intimidation (whether or not via social media)
- Theft
- Destruction

Explanation point by point

Threat

- With open violence
- With any crime that may endanger the general safety or health of persons or cause a general danger to property.
- With rape / actual assault of honor
- Targeted against life with any crime
- With hostage, severe mistreatment, arson or terrorism
- Via social media. The threat must be direct, not 'wishful thinking'. Since the wording of the threat is very close, it must be considered at a time whether it is punishable.

Physical violence

- Pushing, pulling, grabbing is punishable under certain circumstances if it causes pain or causes injury
- Beating if there is pain or injury
- Kicking if there is pain or injury
- Injured if it happens intentionally

Sexual violence

- Rape
- Sexual assault, grinding, squeezing, etc. if it involves sexual acts

Discrimination

- By sex, skin color, religious beliefs and sexual orientation or preference if it is offensive

Stalking / systematic intimidation

- If there is systematicity. Therefore keep all the evidence to prove this

Theft

- Punishable at all times. Also applies to robbery.

Destruction

- Punishable at all times. This also includes damaging or rendering unusable equipment or other journalistic aids.

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About us

PersVeilig is a joint initiative of the NVJ, the media sector, the police and the Public Prosecution Service and aims to strengthen the position of journalists against violence and aggression on the street, on social media and against legal claims.

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