

What happens if you don't go to the conference or finish the agreement?



If you don't go to the conference or finish the agreement the court will be told.

The court will decide what actions to take next. They might:



Court

- sentence you for the offence
- give you another chance to finish the agreement
- take no action

A restorative justice conference can make a difference.



You can help by trying to repair the harm for the victim, your family, and the community.

For more information on restorative justice and other Youth Justice programs, please visit us online at www.qld.gov.au/YouthJusticeServices.

Youth Justice Service Centres

Brisbane South 306 Ipswich Road, Buranda, 4102	Gladstone Govt. Building, Cnr Oaka Lane & Roseberry Street, Gladstone, 4680	Rockhampton 155 Alma Street, Rockhampton, 4700
Brisbane North 41 Murray Street, Bowen Hills, 4006	Gold Coast Shop 13 Pacific Square, 2540 Gold Coast Hwy, Mermaid Beach, 4218	Roma 62 Arthur Street, Roma 4455
Bundaberg 6 Heidke Street, Bundaberg, 4670	Hervey Bay 3/101 Beach Road, Pialba, 4655	Sunshine Coast/ North Coast 21 Brisbane Road, Mooloolaba, 4557
Caboolture 10-20 Walkers Road, Morayfield, 4506	Ipswich 24-26 South Street, Ipswich, 4305	Tablelands and Cassowary Coast – Atherton 81 Main Street, Atherton, 4883
Cairns 120 Spence Street, Cairns, 4870	Logan 18 Blackwood Road, Woodridge, 4114	Tablelands and Cassowary Coast – Innisfail 31 Gladly Street, Innisfail, 4860
Cairns Remote Level 10, Cairns Corporate Tower, 15 Lake Street, Cairns, 4870	Mackay 41 Gordon Street, Mackay, 4740	Toowoomba 49 Neil Street, Toowoomba, 4350
Charleville State Government Offices, Hood Street, Charleville, 4470	Moreton 63-65 High Street, Kippa Ring, 4021	Townsville North 109 Bamford Lane, Kirwan, 4817
Cherbourg/Murgon Level 1, Murgon Courthouse, Stephens Street, Murgon, 4605	Mt Isa Level 1, Mt Isa House, 119 Camooweal Street, Mt Isa, 4825	Townsville South Level 1, 187 Stanley Street, Townsville, 4810
Central West 50 Borilla Street, Emerald, 4720	Redlands 39 Old Cleveland Road, Capalaba, 4157	Western Districts Shop L, 255 Forest Lake Boulevard, Forest Lake, 4078

Youth Detention Centres

Brisbane Corner Aveyron and Wolston Park Roads, Wacol, 4076	Cleveland Old Common Road, Belgian Gardens, 4810
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Work together to prevent crime



Act early to reconnect young people to a life without crime



Support change to new behaviours and a positive future

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What is a court diversion referral?

You have been to court and admitted to committing an offence. The court has decided to give you a chance to make things right.

The court has decided that you should go to a restorative justice conference instead of being sentenced. You have agreed to this referral.



What is the purpose of a conference?

For the people most affected by your offence to work out an agreement about what you can do to try to repair the harm.

What happens now?

Pre Conference Interview

A convenor is a person who is approved to run a conference. A convenor will contact all participants and arrange a time to meet before the conference.



In Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities, members of the local community justice group, Elders and/or extended family members may also be invited to participate.

The convenor will:

-  **Convenor**
 - say who else will be present at the conference
 - explain what will happen at the conference
 - help you get ready for it
 - listen and answer your questions
 - talk about your right to legal advice and confidentiality.

What happens at a restorative justice conference?

You will meet in a safe place so that everyone can talk about what happened. Everyone will work out what needs to be done to start trying to repair the harm.







What happens at the end of a conference?

The agreement



The agreement Signed by you, victim and convenor (& police if they attend)



-  At the end of the conference everyone in the room will work out the agreement.
-  The agreement lists what you must do to start to make things right for the victim. Any agreement is enforceable under the law.
-  You, the victim and other people in the room agree to a time frame for you to finish everything on the agreement.
-  The agreement includes who will support you to finish the agreement and how that will happen.

What happens when you finish the agreement?



Conference + **Agreement complete**



-  Finish the agreement and the court will be told. You will not need to go back to court.
-  This offence will not be on your criminal history.