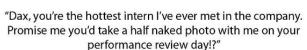
Criminal VS Civil Proceedings















Civil Offence

Sexual harassment is a civil offence rendered unlawful under the Sex Discrimination Ordinance. Examples of sexual harassment include unwelcome physical contact, sexual comments as well as unwelcome requests for sex. Certain sexual harassment acts, such as stalking or rape, may also bear criminal consequences at the same time.

If someone experiences sexual harassment, they can lodge a complaint to the Equal Opportunities Commission ("EOC") or initiate civil proceedings at the district court. If the cases involved are criminal offences, they may report the incident to the police and lodge a complaint with the EOC concurrently.

For more information about sexual harassment, visit <u>COMPASS</u> – the EOC's online resource platform or call the hotline at 2106 2222 to talk to our duty officer.

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