



ALERT

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HMRC phone scam



We have once again received reports of a resident being called by criminals claiming to be from HMRC (Her Majesty's Customs and Excise) and saying the resident is about to be taken to court for tax offences.

How it works:

- You receive a telephone call or an automated call from someone saying they are from HMRC
- You are told HMRC is filing a lawsuit against you
- You must press 1 on your handset to make a payment to stop the court action

What to do:

- Do not respond to the call, do not press 1, hang up
- Report the scam to **Action Fraud 0300 123 2040** or [online](#)
To help HMRC investigations you should report full details of the scam by email to: phishing@hmrc.gov.uk including the:
 - date of the call
 - phone number used
 - content of the call