# So what is claim farming?

## **Transcript**

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So what is claim farming? And why is it illegal?

Claim farmers are scammers that target people who may have suffered personal injury or abuse - it might be recent, or it could be from some time in the past.

Claim farmers use many different tactics to get hold of you – they might reach out on the phone, via social media, email, web searches, or even in person.

They may say or imply they are from the government or an insurance company, and they’ll try to get you to give up your personal information.

Their goal is to entice, trick or bully you into making a personal injury claim. They might promise quick, easy money, and big payouts.

So why shouldn’t you use a claim farmer?

Here’s the truth: claim farmers are not working in your best interests.

They’re trying to profit off your misfortune by selling your claim and your private information on to a lawyer or claim management company.

This practice is now illegal in Queensland.

If you, or someone you know has been injured, had an accident, or been a victim of abuse, and you want to make a claim - always seek your own legal advice.

If you believe you’ve been contacted by a claim farmer, don’t be a target, say no, and report them.