

<b>Notice of rights and entitlements</b>
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**Parental responsibility holders sitting in on the official interview of a  
juvenile suspect**

(Civil Procedure Rules (*StPO*), section 136 Abs(1); Juvenile Justice Act (*JGG*), ss 70a, 70b, 109(1))

As the holders of parental responsibility, you are principally **entitled to sit in** on official interviews of the suspect and on any parts of the inquiry that the suspect is also allowed to attend.

You must **not disrupt or otherwise influence** the interview or any other part of the inquiry.

To the extent that the suspect has a **right to be heard, to ask questions or to make requests**, you have that right as well.

As parents/legal guardians, you may at any time ask, either orally or in writing, for an assigned counsel (*Pflichtverteidiger*) to be appointed.

If you expressly make such a request, it must usually be decided upon before the accused is questioned or placed in an identification parade. If a case of 'mandatory defence' exists, a public defender must be appointed without delay.

The decision is up to the Court or, if there is urgency, the Public Prosecution Service.