

HOW TO FILE A CIVIL RIGHTS COMPLAINT

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If you believe you have been discriminated against or harassed in an MSU Extension program or activity, you are encouraged to report the incident to the MSU Office of Civil Rights, MSU Extension, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), or all three.

MSU OFFICE OF CIVIL RIGHTS

File a report 24/7 by:

Phone: 517-353-3922

Email: oie@msu.edu

Online reporting form: https://msu.guardianconduct

https://msu.guardianconduct.com/incident-reporting/



Mail:

Olds Hall 408 W. Circle Dr., Suite 5 East Lansing, MI 48824

Please include the date of the incident, a short summary of the complaint, and the complainant's contact information.

MSU EXTENSION

File a written complaint with the MSU Extension Director:

Phone: 517-355-2308

Mail:

Justin Morrill Hall of Agriculture 446 W. Circle Dr., Room 409 East Lansing, MI 48824

Email: msuedir@msu.edu

Please include the date of the incident, a short summary of the complaint, and the complainant's contact information.

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

File a complaint with the U.S. Department of Agriculture using either the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form (AD-3027) or a letter. The form is available online (https://www.usda.gov/sites/default/files/documents/ad-3027.pdf), from any USDA office, or by phone (866-632-9992).



A complaint letter must contain all of the information requested in the form (including the complainant's name, address, and phone number, the date of the alleged discriminatory action, and a written description of the incident) and be signed by the complainant or their authorized representative. Submit the completed form or letter by:

Mail:

U.S. Department of Agriculture Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights 1400 Independence Ave. SW, STOP 9410 Washington, DC 20250-9410

Fax: 833-256-1665 OR 202-690-7442

Email: program.intake@usda.gov

All complaints must be filed **within 180 days** from the date of the alleged discrimination.

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