Sending Sexual Images – State and Federal Laws

**TAKING** a sexual image or clip of yourself or someone else under 18:
You could be charged with creating child pornography. This is a crime.

**SENDING** a sexual image or clip of yourself or someone else:
* Under 16 years old - You could be charged with the crime of distributing child pornography and placed on the Australian National Child Offender Register (ANCOR) for life.
* Between 16 and 18 years old – You could be charged with the crime of distributing pornography and placed on the ANCOR register for life.

**RECEIVING** and keeping a sexual image or clip of someone else:
* Under 16 years old – You could be charged with the crime of possessing child pornography and placed on the ANCOR register for life.
* Between 16-18 years old – You could be charged with the crime of possessing pornography and placed on the ANCOR register for life.

**FORWARDING** a sexual or suggestive image of someone:
* Under 16 years old – You could be charged with the crime of distributing child pornography and placed on the ANCOR register for life.
* Between 16 and 18 years old – You could be charged with the crime of distributing pornography and placed on the ANCOR register for life.

**ASKING** someone to send you a naked or semi naked photo/video of him or herself:
* If the person is under 16 years old – You could be charged with the crime of soliciting child pornography, causing a child to be used for pornography and inciting a child to an act of indecency. You could be placed on the ANCOR register for life.
* If the person is between 16-18 years old – You could be charged with the crime of soliciting pornography and placed on the ANCOR register for life.