

## Tips for using the Irish Remote Interpreting Service



**Do's**



**Don'ts**



**Check which video software is best for you. The IRIS service can currently be accessed through Skype, ooVoo or Microsoft Video-Conferencing.**



If possible do not use wireless internet, as this can reduce the picture quality.



**Make sure you have a working microphone and speaker (built in or external) and position yourself close to the microphone**



Don't position yourself in a noisy environment e.g. in an open plan office, as this may interfere with the sound quality.



**If possible give the interpreter and the Deaf client a short time to familiarise themselves with each other at the start, allowing time for them to become comfortable with IRIS and each other's signing style.**



Make sure that the Deaf client is happy to use the video remote service. Some people may not feel comfortable using a computer to communicate.

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**Best practice to do a test call before the actual assignment - to ensure everything is working properly (screen / microphone / speakers etc).**

Please note that the interpreters will telephone/text on the day of the assignment to set up the IRIS booking.



**For the purpose of clarity, adjust the camera so the person signing can be seen from the tip of the head to the torso.**

Don't position the signer in front of a window or a bright light when on camera as this will interfere with the visual quality.



**Identify who is present in the room, whether they are on/off screen. For accurate interpreting, one person can only speak at a time and they must identify who is speaking, particularly where there are large groups in the room.**

Please note: IRIS time-Slots are for 30 minutes max

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