

## WHEN YOU ARE ON FOOT

- STAY CALM, DON'T RUN OR WALK AWAY.
- IF ASKED, YOU MUST PROVIDE YOUR CORRECT NAME AND ID IF YOU HAVE ONE.
- IF OFFICER ASKS TO SEARCH YOU, DO NOT CONSENT.
- NEVER CONSENT TO SEARCH NO MATTER WHAT THE OFFICER THREATENS YOU WITH. IF OFFICER SEARCHES YOU ANYWAY, STAY CALM AND ALLOW THEM TO DO SO.
- IF YOU BECOME UNCOMFORTABLE WITH THIS STOP, YOU CAN ALWAYS ASK: IF YOU ARE FREE TO LEAVE.
- IF YOU ARE TOLD YOU ARE NOT FREE TO LEAVE, ASK IF YOU ARE UNDER ARREST, AND FOR WHAT REASON.



## IF YOU ARE AT HOME

- DO NOT LET THE OFFICERS IN. STEP OUT AND CLOSE THE DOOR BEHIND YOU.
- IF THE OFFICER ASKS PERMISSION TO SEARCH YOUR HOME, YARD, GARAGE OR PROPERTY, YOU SHOULD SAY NO.
- IF THE OFFICER SEARCHES ANYWAY, SAY: YOU DO NOT CONSENT. DO NOT TRY TO PHYSICALLY STOP THEM FROM SEARCHING.



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# KNOW YOUR RIGHTS



## **WHENEVER YOU ENCOUNTER POLICE ALWAYS REMEMBER:**

- **KEEP YOUR COOL**
- **YOU CANNOT WIN AN ARGUMENT WITH THE POLICE.**
- **LET YOUR LAWYER FIGHT IT IN COURT.**
- **IF ARRESTED, DO NOT RESIST, AND STAY SILENT.**
- **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO TELL THE POLICE ABOUT YOUR IMMIGRATION STATUS.**
- **REMEMBER WHAT HAPPENED, WRITE DOWN, AND TELL YOUR LAWYER.**
- **KEEPING THESE THINGS IN MIND MAY NOT PREVENT ARREST TODAY, BUT HELP MAKE A STRONGER CASE IN COURT TOMORROW.**

## **IF YOU ARE IN A CAR**

- **THE DRIVER MUST PROVIDE LICENSE, REGISTRATION, PROOF OF INSURANCE.**
- **IF REQUESTED, PASSENGERS MUST ACCURATELY IDENTIFY THEMSELVES AND PROVIDE ID IF THEY HAVE ONE.**
- **TURN ON INSIDE LIGHTS, HANDS ON STEERING WHEEL, KEEP STILL.**
- **IF INSTRUCTED TO GET OUT OF THE CAR YOU MUST DO SO. THE OFFICER DOES NOT HAVE TO PROVIDE YOU WITH A REASON.**
- **IF THE OFFICER ASKS PERMISSION TO SEARCH YOUR VEHICLE YOU SHOULD SAY NO.**
- **IF THE OFFICER SEARCHES YOUR VEHICLE, ANYWAY, SAY YOU DO NOT CONSENT. DO NOT TRY TO PHYSICALLY STOP THEM FROM SEARCHING.**

- **A DRIVER OR PASSENGER IS ALLOWED TO RECORD THE INCIDENT ON A CELL PHONE. IF AN OFFICER ASKS YOU TO PUT THE PHONE AWAY, SAY THAT YOU'RE EXERCISING YOUR RIGHT TO RECORD THIS INCIDENT.**
- **IF YOU BECOME UNCOMFORTABLE WITH THIS STOP YOU CAN ALWAYS ASK IF YOU ARE FREE TO LEAVE.**
- **IF YOU ARE TOLD YOU ARE NOT FREE TO LEAVE, ASK IF YOU ARE UNDER ARREST, AND FOR WHAT REASON.**

