

What to Do If: ICE Stops You on the Streets

Ask “Am I free to go?”

You have the right to ask if you are being detained.

If they say “yes,” walk away calmly.

If they say “no,” ask the officer why they are stopping you.

State and exercise your rights.

You have the right to remain silent, you have the right to ask for an attorney, and you have right to not consent to a search. Remember to invoke these rights! You should not share any information or sign any documents with ICE agents until you can speak to an attorney.

Stay calm.

Do not provide ICE agents with any false documents or lie about who you are. If you are detained, do not run and do not resist arrest.

Do not answer questions.

Any information you provide can be used against you.

Remember to not discuss your immigration status or answer any questions about where you were born.

If you are pulled over:

Stop the car in a safe place.

Before handing over any documents, make sure you know what agency the officer works for. If you are stopped by the police, sheriff, or highway patrol then you would want to show your driver’s license, registration, and proof of insurance.

ICE should NOT be pulling you over for a traffic violation.

Remember that if you are being detained, you and the passengers have the right to remain silent and you can refuse consent to a search of your car.



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