

Know Your Rights with ICE and Police

You Have the Right to Remain Silent

At no time do you have to say that you are a noncitizen to ICE, Border Patrol, or police.

They only know your immigration status if YOU tell them. It is best not to engage in conversation.

Ask instead: Am I free to go? Am I under arrest?

If Officers Keep Pressuring You

Say: "I don't want to talk to you and I want to leave. I know I have the right not to answer your questions and to keep walking."

DO NOT:

- Reveal your country of origin or immigration status.
- Show ID unless you're driving.
- Sign anything you don't understand.

If ICE or Police Come to Your Home

Do not open the door. You have the right not to speak to them. They need a signed search warrant to enter - an arrest or deportation warrant is not enough.

If ICE Comes to Your Job

You can refuse to speak and continue working. Do not show ID or share your status. ICE needs a search warrant or employer's permission to enter private areas.

If You Are Stopped in Public

You do not have to answer questions or reveal your name, immigration status, or origin.

If you run and are caught, you could be arrested.

If You're Stopped in Your Car

Ask what agency the officer is with. Local police may ask for license, insurance, and registration.

ICE cannot require ID or ask about your status unless you volunteer it. They cannot set up checkpoints more than 100 miles from the border.

If You Are in Jail

You do not have to speak to ICE, give your name, immigration status, or origin.

You may refuse interviews and ask for an attorney and an interpreter if needed.