



EXERCISE YOUR RIGHTS!

There are 3 Levels of Police Interactions and safe ways to handle each encounter:

Casual Conversation - Ask if you are being detained. If not, walk away

Detention - If you are being detained, ASK WHY! Make them cite the law - and REMEMBER WHAT THEY SAY. Arrest: Say, "I choose to remain silent and I want to see a lawyer." Remember to REMAIN SILENT

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Medical Marijuana Patients

Many arrests for cannabis possession are due to traffic violations and noise complaints

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Travel Safely

Do not smoke and drive. If you travel with cannabis, make sure your vehicle is up to code and your cannabis is concealed - preferably in your trunk.

Be Prepared

Carry your recommendation and state-issued ID Card (if you have one) at all times, but do not present it to law enforcement unless accused of a marijuana-related crime.

Be Discreet

Try not to smoke where others can see you and never leave cannabis in plain view.

Don't Consent to a Search

If the cops say: "Do you mind if I look in your purse, bag, home or car?"

You Say: "I do not consent to a search."

If the cops say: "Why not? Are you hiding something?"

You Say: "I believe in my Constitutional right to privacy, and I do not consent to a search."

Note: This probably will not stop an officer from searching you, but it can help get any evidence thrown out of court.

Search Warrants

Do not let an officer into your home without a search warrant. Check the address, the date (relatively recent), and a judge's signature.

If law enforcement knocks on your door, step outside and close the door behind you while you find out why they are there. Don't leave the door wide open.

If they do enter your home, with or without a search warrant, say, "I do not consent to a search."