



WASHINGTON STATE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS

CIVIL IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT IN WASHINGTON



This is general info about the rights of Washingtonians based on current law as of the published date. ***It is not legal advice.*** All are encouraged to discuss all legal issues and questions with their attorneys.

IF AN IMMIGRATION OFFICER APPROACHES

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO BE SILENT

You do not have to speak, answer questions, sign any document, or share personal information.

YOU CAN ASK IF YOU ARE FREE TO LEAVE

If they say "yes," then you can leave immediately. If they say "no," then you may ask to talk with a lawyer.

YOU CAN ASK THEM TO LEAVE

If immigration officers enter a private space and do not have a court order or warrant signed by a judge, you can ask them to step outside and let them know that you do not consent to a search.

YOU CAN ASK TO SEE THEIR COURT ORDER OR WARRANT SIGNED BY A JUDGE

If federal officials say they have a court order, warrant or other document that allows them to enter without consent, you can ask to see it before permitting them access.

YOU CAN ASK FOR THEIR INFORMATION

Write down the name, telephone number, badge number and other identifying information from the immigration officer.

YOU DO NOT HAVE TO SIGN ANYTHING

You do not have to sign any document without speaking to a lawyer. You can ask for a document written in your primary language. Never sign a document you didn't read or don't understand.

YOU CAN PREPARE

Memorize an emergency contact phone number. Make a family plan with alternate caregivers for your kids. Make copies of important documents. Call or text Washington Immigrant Solidarity Network for planning help: 1-844-724-3737.

IF YOU'RE ARRESTED OR DETAINED

YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO SPEAK TO A LAWYER AND CONTACT YOUR CONSULATE

Northwest Immigrant Rights Project's detainee phone number is **(253) 383-0519**.

SAY LOUDLY AND CLEARLY IF YOU HAVE FEAR OF RETURNING TO YOUR COUNTRY OF ORIGIN

Say that loudly and clearly and as often as you can.

YOU CAN ASK TO CALL A FAMILY MEMBER OR FRIEND

If you are arrested and need to arrange for a child or call into work, you may ask to do so.

NOTIFY DETENTION OFFICIALS ABOUT ANY HEALTH CONDITIONS OR MEDICATION NEEDS YOU HAVE

REQUEST A BOND HEARING

SCAN FOR MORE INFO

