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A Guide for Immigrants



Regardless of immigration status, all individuals in the United States have guaranteed rights under the Constitution. The following guide is to inform non-U.S. citizens of their legal rights in various situations with law enforcement and immigration officers.

Some [state laws](#) may vary. Separate rules apply at [checkpoints](#) and when entering the United States at ports of entry, including at borders and airports.

This information is for educational purposes and should not be used as a substitute for legal assistance. If you or someone you know needs legal assistance, please contact an attorney.

LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS

U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE)



- ICE conducts home raids, workplace raids, and works with some local police.
- You have the right to remain silent.
- You have the right to have an attorney present, but ICE is not required to provide one for you.

Homeland Security Investigations (HSI)



- HSI investigates transnational crime and conducts workplace raids.
- You have the right to remain silent.
- You have the right to have an attorney present, but HSI is not required to provide one for you.

State Police / Local Police



- Police are usually tasked with enforcing local crime. Some police may travel with and help immigration officers.
- You have the right to remain silent.
- You have the right to have an attorney present, and the police are required to provide one if you are suspected of committing a crime.

