

**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS –  
CONTACT WITH IMMIGRATION AGENTS**

- **DO NOT OPEN THE DOOR** if an immigration agent is knocking at the door.
- **DO NOT ANSWER ANY QUESTIONS** from an immigration agent if they try to talk to you. You have the right to remain silent.
- **DO NOT SIGN ANYTHING** without first speaking to a lawyer. You have the right to speak with a lawyer.
- If you are outside of your home, ask the agent if you are free to leave and if they say yes, leave calmly.
- **GIVE THIS CARD TO THE AGENT** If you are inside of your home, show the card through the window or slide it under the door.

*I do not wish to speak with you, answer your questions, or sign or hand you any documents based on my 5th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution.*

*I do not give you permission to enter my home based on my 4th Amendment rights under the United States Constitution unless you have a warrant to enter, signed by a judge or magistrate with my name or address on it that you slide under the door.*

*I do not give you permission to search any of my belongings based on my 4th Amendment rights.*

*I choose to exercise my constitutional rights.*

These cards are available to citizens and non-citizens alike.



**KNOW YOUR RIGHTS –  
CONTACT WITH LOCAL LAW ENFORCEMENT**

- **STAY CALM.** Don't run, resist, or obstruct the officers. Do not lie or give false documents. Keep your hands where the police can see them.
- If you have been pulled over in your vehicle, **SHOW YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE, REGISTRATION, AND PROOF OF INSURANCE** if requested.
- **YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO REMAIN SILENT** and do not have to discuss your immigration or citizenship status with police. **PINOLE POLICE OFFICERS DO NOT INQUIRE ABOUT IMMIGRATION STATUS.**
- **YOU DO NOT HAVE TO CONSENT TO A SEARCH** of yourself or your belongings; however, officers may "pat down" your clothing if a weapon is suspected.
- Police do not have the right to search you or your belongings without **CONSENT OR PROBABLE CAUSE.**
- **YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO A GOVERNMENT APPOINTED LAWYER** if you are arrested by the police, regardless of your immigration or citizenship status.
- The information above is not intended to dissuade or discourage individuals from reporting crimes or participating as witnesses to criminal investigations. Report all emergencies to 9-1-1 (call or text) and all non-emergencies to 510-724-1111.
- The City of Pinole remains committed to protecting the rights, liberties, and freedoms of Pinole residents, workers, and visitors. This commitment was confirmed by City Council Resolution 2025-15.

For more information visit: <https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/stopped-by-police>

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