

# KNOW YOUR RIGHTS WHILE PROTESTING



## IF YOU'RE GOING TO A PROTEST:

- **HAVE YOUR LOCAL NLG'S NUMBER ON HAND.**
  - NYC: 212-679-6018
- **SECURE YOUR ELECTRONIC DEVICE, IF YOU CHOOSE TO BRING IT.**
  - EMPLOY A SECURE PASSWORD (MINIMUM 15 CHARACTERS)
  - TURN OFF LOCATION, GPS, NFC, BLUETOOTH, WIFI
  - DISABLE FINGERPRINT AND FACIAL SCAN
- **MARCH, HOLD UP PROTEST SIGNS, DISTRIBUTE FLYERS, AND EXERCISE YOUR FIRST AMENDMENT RIGHT TO FREE SPEECH.**



## IF YOU ARE WONDERING WHAT ACTIVITY IS NOT PROTECTED:

THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITY IS NOT PROTECTED AND COULD SUBJECT YOU TO ARREST AND CRIMINAL PROSECUTION:

- BLOCKING PEDESTRIAN TRAFFIC AND/OR POLICE ACCESS
- BRINGING ANY WEAPONS
- INTERFERING WITH "POLICE ACTIVITY" (THOUGH YOU CAN MONITOR/OBSERVE FROM A SAFE DISTANCE)
- ALTERING PUBLIC/PRIVATE PROPERTY WITHOUT A PERMIT OR THE PERMISSION OF THE OWNER.



## IF LAW ENFORCEMENT APPROACHES YOU:

- **STAY CALM. DO NOT PHYSICALLY RESIST.**
  - ASK "AM I FREE TO LEAVE?" CALMLY, ON REPEAT.
    - IF YES → WALK AWAY.
    - IF ANYTHING ELSE → STAY PUT.
- **IF ASKED, PROVIDE AN ID WITH MINIMAL INFORMATION.**
- **DO NOT SAY ANYTHING OR ANSWER QUESTIONS.**
  - IT IS A CRIME TO LIE TO LAW ENFORCEMENT.



## IF IT ESCALATES INTO DETENTION & ARREST:

- **DO NOT PHYSICALLY RESIST.**
- **DO CLEARLY ASSERT YOUR RIGHT TO AN ATTORNEY.**
- **DO NOT CONSENT TO:**
  - A BODY SEARCH
  - A PHONE SEARCH (DON'T UNLOCK YOUR PHONE)
  - OR A DNA COLLECTION.
- **DO NOT ANSWER QUESTIONS WITHOUT A LAWYER PRESENT.**
- **DO NOT SAY ANYTHING OR SIGN PAPERS WITHOUT A LAWYER PRESENT.**

**ANY QUESTIONS? CONTACT CLEAR.**

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