

Each scenario may be slightly different and this is not a legal guide as to what to do but just a suggestion. If you follow these rules you will find that you will quickly be on your way.

What the Public should do.

1. If pulled over by the Police, find a safe place to pull over and park the vehicle.

2. Turn off the engine, I suggest place your keys on the dashboard and place your hands openly on the steering wheel to show you present no danger.



3. It is a good idea to roll your window down so you don't have to make sudden movements when the officer gets to your window.

4. If it is dark it is a good idea to turn your interior light on which will make it easier for the officer and be a visual sign that you have nothing to hide.

5. Stay calm, quiet, relax and wait for the officer.

6. While the Officer is pulling up your records and then walking towards your vehicle it is better if you stay still. By moving around and grabbing paperwork out of the glove department or back of the vehicle all the officer will see is you making a lot of movement before he/she gets to your window. Wait to be instructed.

7. Be polite and respectfully, “Yes sir, no sir”, The officer should treat you respectfully so treat the officer respectfully. If you feel that the officer is doing something wrong, it is better to comply if the request is reasonable and then report the matter later to his/her superior or you can ask for a hearing to let it be known there.

8. Some States require that you tell the officer that you are a carrying a firearm so check your State requirements or the State you are traveling to.

9. It's always a good idea to already know where your documentation is and advise the officer of where you will need to look to locate the paperwork and ask for permission to do so.

10. You do not want to argue with the officer. You can always challenge any decision later. More and more Police Officers are wearing body cameras. The cameras protect both the Police officer and the public with the information that they record. This can be used to discuss any safety issues or concerns that you have at a later date.

Safety is always the priority. Keep your finger off the trigger at all times unless you intend to use your firearm.

What the Police should do.

Ask where the firearm is located and advise not to make any movements in that location but to be instructed by the officer.

The officer should not remove the firearm from you and should not attempt to clear or unload the firearm.

The weapon handling is safer being kept in the holster but if the officer does ask for the pistol then it is better to comply than argue, ask the officer how he/she would like you to give them the weapon and follow their instructions. (You can always report any unsafe actions to his/ Police Chief later for any additional training the officer may need.)

Most officer's are not trained on every make and model of each firearm and it is safer for the firearm to stay in the holster unless you are being arrested or detained.

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