



# Immigrants' Rights & Resource Guide

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## **KNOW YOUR RIGHTS: IMMIGRANTS' RIGHTS**

The ACLU of Connecticut wants you to know that, regardless of your immigration status, you have guaranteed rights under the Constitution.

Learn more about your rights as an immigrant, and how to express them. We have prepared a comprehensive Immigrants' Rights & Resources Guide below. The Guide is updated often to reflect updates.

## IF YOU INTERACT WITH ICE AGENTS AT WORK

1. Ask if you are free to leave. If so, you may calmly walk out.
2. You have the right to refuse consent to a search.
3. You have the right to remain silent. You do not have to discuss your immigration status with anyone, such as about where you were born, whether you are a citizen, or how you entered the country.
4. If you have valid immigration documents, you should show them. Never provide fake documents.
5. If you are arrested, say that you wish to remain silent until speaking with a lawyer.
6. You have the right to record your interaction with immigration agents as long as you do not interfere.

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## IF ICE AGENTS SHOW UP AT YOUR DOOR

1. You do not have to open the door. If you do, stay calm—you have rights.
2. Ask what they are there for (and ask for an interpreter if you need one).
3. If they ask to enter, ask if they have a warrant signed by a judge and if so, ask to see it (through a window or slipped under the door).
4. If they do not have a warrant **signed by a judge**, you may refuse to let them in. Ask them to leave any information at your door.
5. If they force their way in, do not resist. Tell everyone in the residence to remain silent.
6. If you are arrested, you have the right to remain silent. Do not sign anything until you speak with a lawyer.

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## SI AGENTES DEL ICE LLEGAN A TU LUGAR DE TRABAJO

1. Pregunte si puedes marcharse. De ser así, salga tranquilamente.
2. Tú tienes derecho a no prestar consentimiento a una búsqueda. Diga en voz alta que no consientes a que registren tus pertenencias.
3. Tú tienes derecho a guardar silencio. No tienes que discutir tu estatus migratorio con nadie, ni dónde naciste, ni si eres ciudadano, ni cómo entraste al país.
4. Si tienes documentos de inmigración válidos, deberías mostrarlos. Nunca presente documentos falsos.
5. Si eres arrestado, diga que quieres permanecer en silencio hasta que hables con un abogado.
6. Tú tienes el derecho a grabar tu interacción con los agentes de inmigración, siempre y cuando no interfiera.

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## SI AGENTES DEL ICE LLEGAN A TU PUERTA

1. No abras la puerta, pero mantén la calma. Tú tienes derechos.
2. Pregunte para qué están ahí (y solicita un intérprete si necesitas uno).
3. Si piden entrar a tu casa, pregúntales si tienen una orden firmada por un juez y si la tienen, díles que te la muestren (por la ventana o que la pasen por debajo de la puerta).
4. Si ellos no tienen una orden **firmada por un juez**, puedes negarte dejarlos entrar. Pídeles que dejen cualquier información en tu puerta.
5. Si entran a la fuerza, no te resistas. Dile a todos que estén en la casa que permanezcan en silencio.
6. Si eres arrestado, permanece en silencio y no firmes nada hasta que hables con un abogado.

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The guide below includes:

- Know Your Rights guidance
  - You can find further Know Your Rights materials in 15 languages [here \(https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/immigrants-rights\)](https://www.aclu.org/know-your-rights/immigrants-rights).

- Best Practices for Immigrants and Families
  - You can find a Family Preparedness Plan in 8 languages [here](https://portal.ct.gov/governor/immigration-resources-family-preparedness-plan?language=en_US) ([https://portal.ct.gov/governor/immigration-resources-family-preparedness-plan?language=en\\_US](https://portal.ct.gov/governor/immigration-resources-family-preparedness-plan?language=en_US)).
- Printable Know Your Rights cards in English and Spanish.
- Immigration Law in the U.S. & Connecticut's Trust Act
- Recent Actions (January 20 - 27, 2025)
- Best Practices for Advocates
- Contact e-mails and phone numbers for city, state, and local officials

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## **DOCUMENTS**

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