

PROPER INTERACTION WITH PEACE OFFICERS

How to Help Those Who Keep Our Communities Safe

CHAPTER 74. CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS
SUBCHAPTER C. OTHER PROVISIONS §74.39. PER SB 30



THE ROLE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT

Law enforcement officers are charged with keeping peace and keeping communities safe. They are trained to alert on any danger and intervene to provide a safe environment.

A PERSON'S RIGHTS CONCERNING INTERACTIONS WITH PEACE OFFICERS

When you interact with a peace officer, you have the right to be heard, or to remain silent. These are a part of your "Miranda" rights. Find out more online: www.mirandarights.org



PROPER BEHAVIOR FOR CIVILIANS AND PEACE OFFICERS IN INTERACTIONS



When interacting with law enforcement, keep your hands visible at all times. Avoid quick or threatening movements. Listen carefully and be honest with your responses.

QUESTIONING, DETENTION, PRESENTING ID

- When asked to present identification, do so calmly.
- If you are detained for further questioning, cooperate and be courteous and forthright with information.
- Failure to comply could result in further detention and/or charges.



HOW TO FILE A COMPLAINT

Persons who believe that they have had an interaction with a peace officer that may warrant investigation may go to:

<https://www.dps.texas.gov/OIG/complaint.htm>



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www.esc12.net/counseling

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