
LEGAL INFORMATION

This info is provided by the G8 Legal Support Group. There are Legal Observers on the G8 protests, wearing orange bibs. The role of Legal Observers is to observe the police and gather witnesses to arrests. We are not stewards or organisers. Please co-operate with us. Detailed legal info is at www.g8legalsupport.info. You do not have to tell the police your name/address unless they reasonably suspect you of committing or witnessing an offence. They must tell you the general nature of the offence and whether you are a suspect or a witness. You do not have to give any information other than your name and address

STOP & SEARCH

- There is no general right for the police to search you, so ask them to identify the power they are using and remember what is said.
- Where a **Section 60 Order** is in force it allows uniformed police to search you (and vehicles) without suspicion for weapons. The police can also require that any item be removed which the police think is wholly or mainly for concealing identity (e.g. masks).
- **Section 44 Terrorism Act** also allows uniformed police to search you without suspicion.
- The police can only carry out a “pat down” search and you are only required to remove outer clothing in public.

- You can only be searched by an officer of the same gender.
- We advise you to say “No Comment” to any questions.

IF YOU ARE DETAINED

- Shout out a name to a Legal Observer or persons nearby so you can be located later.
- You have the right to know why - so ask.
- Note the numbers of the police officers.
- You do not have to give any information apart from your name and address. You may want to give your date of birth as this may speed up release.
- We advise you to say “No Comment” to any questions.

- You have the right to have a person informed of your place of detention and to have a solicitor informed of your detention.
- After six hours you must be either released or arrested.

△ IF YOU ARE ARRESTED

- Shout out a name to a Legal Observer or persons nearby so you can be located later.
- You have the right to know why - so ask.
- Note the numbers of the police officers.
- You do not have to give any information apart from your name and address. Giving your date of birth may speed up being released, but it is not legally required.
- You have the right to have a person informed

of your arrest.

- You also have a right to speak to a solicitor free of charge. And remember that only a solicitor may visit you or speak to you whilst you are in custody.
- We advise you to contact a solicitor and to say "No Comment" to any questions until you have spoken to your solicitor. Don't write or sign a statement or a police notebook.

△ IF YOU WITNESS AN ARREST

- Note down the person's name (or a description).
- Make a note of the exact time and place.
- Pass the details to a Legal Observer, to our Legal Info points, or via our website or email.

-----> WRITE THESE NUMBERS ON YOUR HAND OR ARM <-----

G8 LEGAL SUPPORT GROUP

Contact us if you are detained, arrested or witness an arrest (and to let us know when you are released).

Tel: 0845 223 5258 or 07704 265 843

Email: g8legalsupport@riseup.net

Web: www.g8legalsupport.info

SOLICITORS ON CALL 24 HOURS A DAY

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DON'T PANIC-DON'T TALK-YOU'LL SOON BE OUT