

TIPS!

On Encounters with Law Enforcement

- Never...that is never, consent to a search of your vehicle, person, home or property.
- In a vehicle or your home, never leave pot or paraphernalia in open view.
- If you must carry marijuana in a vehicle, keep it in the trunk in a closed container. The cab of your vehicle is more open to legal and illegal searches.
- In traffic stops, slowly exit the vehicle, bring license, registration and proof of insurance with you. Lock your vehicle and pocket the keys. This helps prevent searches against consent.
- Once a ticket, warning or license have been returned to you after a stop, you are free to go. Do not let police detail you to wait for drug dogs or anything else.
- Acting nervous by itself is not probable cause for a search. However, try to stay calm.
- If arrested or detained say nothing except name, DOB and address. Ask to contact an attorney.
- Always verbalize more than once that you are not consenting to any search, even if police say that have a warrant or probable cause.

Cannabis Action Network Knows Your Rights

Was the Traffic Stop Legal?

When Do Police Have the Right to Detain You?

When Can the Police Search Your Vehicle?

Was There a Search Warrant?

Was It Obtained Legally?

How Low Can a Helicopter Fly Over Your Home?

Was the Informant Reliable?

Is Drug Testing Reliable?

Do you Need a Permit For Public Demonstrations or Festivals?

Do you have a Medical Marijuana Defense?

Can and How Do You Sue the Police or Government?

What is Paraphernalia?

What is Entrapment?

When Can Law Enforcement Seize Property or Cash?

When Can You Demand a Jury Trial?

Do You Have to Consent to a Search?

During the War on Drugs, you or someone you know may have needed the answers to these questions and more. Contact FL CAN's Legal Support Network, we will listen to your concerns and try to direct you to sympathetic and skilled attorneys.

CAN believes in protecting the rights of victims in this war on plants, patients, civil liberties and natural resources.

Call, write or visit FL CAN on the world wide web to find out how you CAN help:

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Just Say Know Series #1



Introduction to the Legal Support Network

How You CAN uphold the Bill of Rights, Protect Yourself and teach Law Enforcement to respect our privacy.

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“It’s Easy for People to Assume that the Bill of Rights is a Machine that Runs Itself. I Disagree. I Think Eternal Vigilance is the Price of Keeping it in Working Order”

~ Judge Lawrence Tribe

CAN DOES

Florida Cannabis Action Network is a non-profit corporation working to educate the public about marijuana issues and the need for re-legalization. CAN offices nationwide are working on various avenues of reform. FL CAN projects reflect the need to meet the people, teach the legislators and empower individuals to make a difference in their communities.

The Planting Seeds Tour

The Planting Seeds Project produces a series of festivals, rallies and public forums around the country. Intended to educate the general public about the effects of marijuana, laws governing its possession and how to make positive changes. These events are scheduled year round.

Truth Police Direct Actions

Truth Police meet Government officials in public forums and ask simple questions designed to make our leaders accountable for their part in the War on Drugs. Spontaneous Truth Police demonstrations have taken place at sites of environmental offenses, prisons where human rights are being violated and businesses that support the War on Drugs.

Network Building for other groups

CAN helps build other organizations by providing technical assistance, special speakers and educational materials, including some in Spanish. CAN provides several Workshops that can be presented to your group of organization for a reasonable fee.

A Community Resource Center

The newly opened CAN Community Resource Center in Melbourne currently offers direct access to the Legal Support Staff, a place for volunteers to get involved and an ever-expanding Hemp Museum.

The Legal Support Network.....

- Has the answers to your questions.
- Can provide legal referrals in most areas.
- Can often provide legal services at reduced rates.
- Researches laws and policies.
- Reviews case files and motions upon request.
- Works with local officials on permitting processes
- Provides public defenders and private attorneys with reference materials.
- Will contact expert witnesses.
- Will attend court proceedings with clients when requested.
- Does media and public relations campaigns.
- Leads letter writing campaigns to judges and prosecutors.
- Helps develop legal strategies.
- Files public records and freedom of information requests.
- Designs comprehensive materials to help you Know Your Rights.

The Legal Support Network is free to clients and supported by your generous donations.

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Urine Testing: *What You Need To Know*

Marijuana is detectable for up to six weeks in the urine.

Don't give samples from the first or second urination of the day. The metabolic concentration is higher.

Natural diuretics like caffeine and cranberry juice will stimulate flushing of your system. Use them prior to a test, but not the night before. Over the counter diuretics are dangerous and should not be used.

Sabotaging your sample with bleach or Drano will only require more humiliating peeing on command.

Substituting someone else's urine is tricky. Many employers and labs check for color, temperature and sediment in samples.

There are many misconceptions concerning what works and what doesn't. People who claim to have drunk vinegar or other such nonsense probably received false negative results. Golden Seal is currently being tested for as part of the drug test so don't use it.

The chemical agents used in testing have a limited shelf life which can cause false positives. When you know you will be tested, keep these things in mind.

Drug testing labs have fewer quality control regulations than restaurants.

Cannabis Action Network believes that any form of drug testing violates your Fourth Amendment right against unreasonable searches and your Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination. Most Federal court rulings have upheld them as constitutional and employers are under increasing pressure to comply with the Drug Free Workplace Act. Drug tests have something in common with other physical searches in that you have more rights if you do not consent to the search. Consent surrenders your rights. Should you be forced by economic pressures to work for a company that does drug test or by court order to undergo regular tests, there are many other things you should know.