

NCSF-LEOP

Pocket Reference: Dealing with Law Enforcement

In dealing with officers ...

- DO stay calm.
- DO be respectful, polite and courteous.
- DO use your common sense.
- DON'T have a "bad attitude".

Statements and Communication ...

- You have the right not to make statements.
- You have the right not to incriminate yourself.
- Be honest in whatever you decide to say.
- Use simple language – clear and easy to understand.

Entry to your property ...

- You do not have to allow a "consent search" or a "voluntary entry".
- Attempt to handle it outside / at the door.
- If the officer demands to enter, voice your objection and stand aside.

Miscellaneous ...

- Volunteer for your partner to talk to the police.
- Transport toys in a secure location and in trunk of the vehicle. Do not consent to a search.
- Keep in mind those things that demonstrate that consensual SM is different from abuse.
- If you are arrested, do NOT make any statements, and ask for an attorney.

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