



# WATCH OUT: ICE MIGHT BE TRACKING YOUR CAR

ICE has been using car registration information to monitor cars and the people who own or drive them. IDP has received many reports of ICE following and stopping cars to arrest people in New York.

## BE AWARE:

ICE follows cars and people by using **Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs)** and by finding car registration information in government and private company databases.

## What Are Automated License Plate Readers (ALPRs)?

**ALPRs are cameras** that take photos of license plates to identify a car's owner.

**ALPRs can be in many places:** on traffic lights, telephone poles, highways, parking lots, toll roads, and police cars.

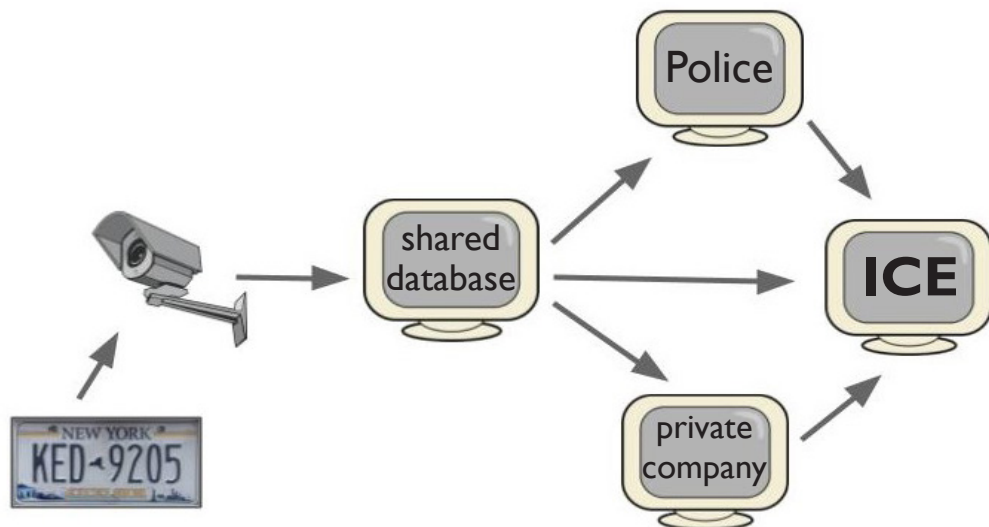
ALPRs send license plate information to **databases used by government agencies and private companies.**

**Newer license plates, like the New York Excelsior License Plate, are designed to work better with ALPRs.**

## How Does ICE Use ALPRs to Track People in Cars?

ICE uses databases that store license plate information from ALPRs. ICE can use these and other databases to **learn the registered owner of a car.**

ICE can use ALPR information to **record when and where a car travels and track where a person lives, works, or travels.**





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## HOW DOES THIS AFFECT ME?

ICE uses ALPR information to **arrest a person or their loved ones.**

If a car is registered with your name or address, **ICE can use the car's license plate number to follow you.** ICE can also learn where you drive this car and your relationships to other people.

If you drive a car owned by another person, **ICE might stop you if they want to arrest the registered owner.**



## How does New York's Green Light Law protect my car information?

The Green Light law prevents the New York Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) from sharing your driver's license information directly with ICE. However, **ICE might still be able to get car registration or other information from other databases, including from third parties.**

**ICE can also get license plate and car registration information from private companies.**

**Ask your local immigrants' rights organization about local or state policies on sharing information with ICE.**

**READ MORE TO KNOW YOUR RIGHTS IF ICE STOPS YOU IN A CAR!**



# YOU HAVE RIGHTS IF ICE STOPS YOU IN A CAR!

## YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO:



### REMAIN SILENT. DON'T ANSWER

questions about your criminal or immigration history.



### LEAVE

if you are not under arrest.



### ASK THE OFFICERS

why they stopped your car or if they have an arrest warrant.



### REFUSE A SEARCH OF YOUR POCKETS

beyond a pat-down for "officer safety."



### REFUSE A SEARCH OF YOUR CAR,

including your trunk and glove compartment.

**IMPORTANT:** It is safest to pull over the car, even if you don't know who is pulling you over. Then ask the officers to identify themselves.

## YOU HAVE THE RIGHT TO ASK THE OFFICERS QUESTIONS!

**Before you say anything, ASK:**

"Why am I being stopped?"

"Are you the police?"

Are you highway patrol?

Are you immigration?"

"Am I free to go?"



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**Ask the officers to identify themselves BEFORE:**

- ⊘ showing any ID
- ⊘ answering questions
- ⊘ getting out of the car
- ⊘ rolling down the window

## BE SAFE!

ICE might not wait for you to roll down the window or get out of the car. They might try to open the door or break the window to pull someone out of the car.



**REMEMBER:**



You have a right to **REFUSE CONSENT** if ICE demands **TO SEARCH** you, your belongings, or your car.

You have a right to **REFUSE CONSENT TO GIVE YOUR FINGERPRINTS.**

**DON'T RESIST**  
if ICE ignores you!  
Keep repeating that you don't consent.

**DON'T GIVE**  
the officer any false documents,  
a foreign passport or consular ID,  
or an expired visa.