The First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution protects "the freedom of speech" as well as "the right of the people peaceably to assemble." So you have a constitutional right to demonstrate. Police in D.C. generally understand and respect that right. People demonstrate here every day, and arrests are rare, except for people who decide to risk arrest. Still, it pays to be prepared. This guide can help.

PART 1. PLAN AHEAD

KNOW THE TERRITORY

DC has four quadrants: NW, NE, SE, and SW. They meet at the Capitol. Most monuments and federal buildings are on and around the National Mall, which divides NW from SW. If you see an address, pay attention to the quadrant!

GETTING A PERMIT

Getting a permit is a good idea, to alert police what you’ll be doing and reserve your location. Rules and procedures vary based on location. For details, visit: acludc.org/permits

PREPARE TO ENCOUNTER LAW ENFORCEMENT

- Risking arrest? Carry $100 cash and 3 days’ worth of any essential medication, in its original bottle. Make emergency childcare plans if you have children. Put a password on your phone to protect against searches. Memorize (or write on your arm) numbers for your family, your lawyer, and jail support. National Lawyers Guild inauguration jail support line: (202) 670-6866.

- Not a U.S. citizen? Know your immigration number (“A” number) if you have one. Visit nipnlg.org/tools.html for additional guidance.

- Undocumented, under court supervision, or have a record? Think hard and talk to a lawyer about the risks of arrest! Consequences can be worse for you than most people.

- A person with a disability, special medical needs, or limited English? Carry a card or wear a bracelet to explain your situation should the need arise.

- Gender non-conforming? MPD respects gender designations on driver’s licenses so have an accurate license if possible.

PART 5. USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS & ADDRESSES: (202)...

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For each precinct’s number, visit: acludc.org/precincts

Need a hospital? For a map with contact information, visit: acludc.org/hospitals

GETTING MORE INFORMATION

Looking for specific information about a case? To learn...

- Time/room number of someone’s arraignment: call Pretrial Services at (202) 585-7030 ext. 2.

- If someone has been arrested by MPD: (202) 727-4383 [Federal authorities won’t tell you whether someone has been arrested.]

PART 2. Plan ahead

Black Lives Matter DC
BYP100 DC
DC-NLG
KeepDC4Me
Stop Police Terror Project DC
Law4BlackLives-DC
ACLU of the District of Columbia
PART 3. LAW ENFORCEMENT:

DO  & DON'TS

PART 4. IF YOU ARE ARRESTED

ARRAIGNMENT

When being searched

When being questioned

When interacting with police

IF YOU FEEL YOUR RIGHTS AVE BEEN VIOLATED

DO

• Go to every doctor's office or clinic of your choice.
• Ask the doctors about your condition.
• Ask the doctors about any medications you are taking.
• Keep your records in plain view.

DON'T

• Be friendly.
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