

- You can refuse to provide your password or unlock your device
- You should tell the police, 'I choose to remain silent,' and ask for a lawyer
- If you speak, don't lie
- Be aware police might seize your phone and try to search it later with a warrant, and you may be booked into custody
- Remember: every protest is different, so these tips are general suggestions for better data security and do not constitute legal advice or counseling. If you have specific legal concerns, seek the advice of a licensed attorney.
- We encourage those whose arrests involved digital rights issues to contact us at info@eff.org

VIDEO & PHOTO CONSIDERATIONS

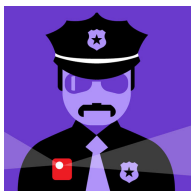
- Police and others may search images for any identifying features, including clothing, tattoos and belongings, not just faces. These features can also be used for doxxing.
- Be mindful of what you post before, during and after protests, as police can often access social media posts. Black out the faces and identifying marks of protesters. Scrub metadata on photos, for example by using screenshots of images instead of the originals.

IF POLICE STOP OR ARREST YOU:

Surveillance tech to keep an eye out for



DRONES



BODY-WORN CAMERAS



CAMERA NETWORKS

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

To read EFF's full protest guide, visit <https://ssd.eff.org/en/module/attending-protest>

Learn more about surveillance tech: sfs.eff.org
And how to protect yourself: ssd.eff.org

If you've spotted surveillance or if you believe your arrest was related to digital rights issues, contact EFF at info@eff.org.



PROTECT YOUR LOCATION:

- Use a strong password and remove fingerprint unlock & Face ID. An officer could try to physically force you to unlock your device
- Take photos/videos without unlocking your device
- Back up your data. Your device may be damaged, lost, stolen, or confiscated
- Enable full-disk encryption on your device
- Install **Signal** for safer communications
- Wear nondescript clothing and cover identifying features. Avoid being identified through face and tattoo recognition technologies.

PROTECT YOUR DATA:

- Enable airplane mode and turn off location services
- Download area maps and plan meeting spots ahead of time
- Consider biking or walking. Prevents license plate readers from recording your vehicle's exact time, date, and location
- Disable 2G on your phone to prevent your phone from automatically joining a cell-site simulator's network. For more information on cell-site simulators and turning off 2G for your phone's operating system, read SSD's full protest guide.

EFF POCKET GUIDE:

PROTECTING YOUR DATA DURING A PROTEST

There are risks associated with attending a protest, and taking steps to mitigate them can go a long way in ensuring you—and the data you value—are kept safe.

This guide outlines steps you can take before, during, and after a protest that will help keep yourself and your data more secure.

How to Fold:

