



Should I Enter a Police Vehicle?

Visual Resource

If a police officer asks you to enter into a vehicle, it is very important to know your rights and what to do...

Police officers drive marked patrol vehicles

Look for a car with red & blue lights, the Queensland Police Service (QPS) emblem, and this blue & white pattern.



Police officers can also drive unmarked plain vehicles...

These include four-wheel drives (4WDs), sport cars, vans, motorbikes, bicycles, and trucks.

If a police officer asks you to get into their vehicle, this is what you must do:

1. Verify the person talking to you is a police officer.
2. Ask the police officer: "**Am I under arrest?**" (If the answer is **yes**: you must comply and go with the police officer).
3. Ask the police officer: "**Am I being detained for questioning?**" (If the answer is **yes**: you must comply and go with the police officer).
4. If the police officer tells you that you will be taken to the police station for a blood or breath test in relation to an **alcohol or drug offence**, you must comply and go with the police officer.

You do not have to go with the police officer just because they came to your home or workplace.

Your rights...
To remain silent.

Your obligations... You must answer these questions:

1. What is your name?
2. What is your address?
3. What is your date of birth?

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