

What to do when.....

A Peace Officer (Law Enforcement Officer) apprehends you.

1. Turn on your cameras. You and everyone in the car. Making sure the audio is recording.
2. Wind up your windows and locked your doors.
3. Take a couple of deep breaths and Relax! You are both 'people', you and the Peace Officer.
4. Wind down your window, just far enough to hear what the Peace Officer has to say, and also to hand documents back and forth. (but not enough for a Law Enforcement Officer to stick his hand through) Then **listen properly**.
5. Your reply, politely, clear and firm (**not aggressive**): *"Thank you officer. As it is demanded by LAW for you to carry Identification, which I am at liberty to request from you at any point, I at this time request to see your Identification, PLEASE."*

'He who breaks the silence, loses'

You may encounter some resistance from the Peace Officer at this point.

Your reply (Again, politely, clear and firm [**not aggressive**]): *"It is within my rights to request your Identification and by law you have to provide it. Also, could you bring along the Training Certificate for this exercise, as you are also required by law to carry that with you."*

At which point he may start mumbling something about it being in the other car or some shit.

You then say (Again, politely, clear and firm [**not aggressive**]): *"It looks like (or It appears that) this matter needs to be addressed by your superiors, could you also, as you are required by law, provide me with your supervisors Rank, Name and Telephone Number?"*

Then you can also politely state: *"It looks like we are in for a good couple of day's paperwork, hey?"*

And give a nice big smile and a shrug.

6. *"Tell me Officer {name}. Am I being detained, or am I free to go?"*
7. *"You are being detained"*
8. *Could you provide me with 'Probable Cause'?*
9. *"Yes, you do not have an (RSA PTY Ltd) License disc and registration plates"*
10. *"My vehicle is recorded with The Republic of Good Hope, as required by law. Please provide me with the necessary paperwork so I may handle this matter in court."*
Not; "Give me the fucking ticket"

Being Summoned to Court.

1. The first thing to do is prepare your paperwork. It has to be in the correct format.
(see http://www.justice.gov.za/forms/form_mcr.htm for a start)
Also see: <http://www.legal-aid.co.za/>

Some American sites: <https://www.northwestregisteredagent.com/motion-to-dismiss.html>