

STOP & SEARCH

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You have been provided with this card as you have been subject to a legal stop and search by a police officer from Staffordshire Police.

Stop and search is when a police officer detains you so they can carry out a search on you and your property, including a vehicle. Its purpose is to safeguard communities and prevent and detect crime.

How to get a copy of the search record:

You must attend a local police station and ask for a record of the search within three months of the search or 12 months if you were arrested and taken into custody. Please take a form of ID with you - driving licence or passport. Or you can contact Staffordshire Police on our website below.

How to make a complaint:

If you believe you should not have been stopped and searched, you can contact the force using this QR code where you can tell us about your experience, make a formal complaint or give positive feedback. You can also tell us about your stop and search experience through this short form.



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The officer should provide:

Grounds – A clear explanation of the reasons for the Officer's search, i.e why he finds you suspicious

Object – What the Officer will be looking for (e.g drugs)

Warrant – Warrant card to be produced, if the Officer is not in uniform

Identity – The Officer must state their name and collar number (except in terrorism cases, where the Officer can provide just their collar number)

Station – The Officer must identify the station at which they are based

Entitlement – The Officer must inform you of your entitlement to a copy of the stop/search record (which will be electronically recorded)

Legal – The Officer must specify the legislation under which they are searching you e.g the Misuse of Drugs Act

You – The Officer must clearly explain to you that you are being detained for the purpose of a search

Officer Name:

Officer Collar Number:

Date:

Location: