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### FAQ on Sensitive Locations and Courthouse Arrests

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These frequently asked questions address ICE's sensitive locations policy and courthouse arrests.

## Sensitive Locations

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**Does ICE's policy sensitive locations policy remain in effect?**

**How does ICE decide where a specific enforcement action will take place? What factors are considered when making such a decision?**

Determinations regarding the manner and location of arrests are made on a case-by-case basis, taking into consideration all aspects of the situation, including the target's criminal history, safety considerations, the viability of the leads on the individual's whereabouts, and the nature of the prospective arrest location.

**What does ICE policy require for enforcement actions to be carried out at sensitive locations?**

**What does ICE mean by the term "sensitive location"?**

**What is considered an enforcement action as it relates to sensitive locations?**

**Are sensitive locations located along the international border also protected?**

**Will enforcement actions ever occur at sensitive locations?**

**When may an enforcement action be carried out at a sensitive location without prior approval?**

**Are court houses considered a sensitive location and covered by the sensitive locations policy?**

**Where should I report an ICE enforcement action that I believe may be inconsistent with these policies?**

## Court House Arrests

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**Is it legal to arrest suspected immigration violators at a courthouse?**

**Why does ICE make arrests at courthouses? Are these planned ahead of time?**

**Why do courthouse arrests seem to be occurring more frequently?**

**Are there other advantages to arresting fugitives at a courthouse?**