

I am a Deaf Person



Rhode Island
Police Chiefs

Communication Card for Law Enforcement Officers

**This card will help you communicate.
Please point to the pictures on the other
side that best describes the situation.**

When communicating with me:

- ⇒ Get my attention first
- ⇒ Look at me when you speak
- ⇒ With simple communication writing notes **MAY** be helpful, but not always
- ⇒ I cannot lip-read everything you say
- ⇒ A cochlear implant or hearing aid does not allow me to hear everything
- ⇒ Avoid shining a flashlight in my face as this will hamper my ability to communicate

If I am arrested or asked to come in for questioning I will need:

- ⇒ A Rhode Island licensed sign language interpreter
- ⇒ To make a phone call (high-speed internet connection and a computer, and/or my wireless device)
- ⇒ Other accommodations



To locate an interpreter in Rhode Island

Call 401-222-5300, 8:30am - 4pm, M-F

Website: www.cdhh.ri.gov

After-hours: 401-586-6100*

* Subject to change

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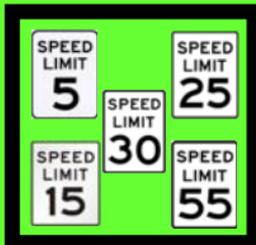
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TRAFFIC STOPS



VIOLATIONS



NEED ASSISTANCE

