

Reasonable Suspicion

Terry v. Ohio



Reasonable Suspicion

- A standard lower than *probable cause*
- A standard greater than a *mere hunch*
- Once met, it permits an officer to make a temporary detention for the purpose of investigation
- *Terry Stop, Field Interview, Investigative Detention*

Reasonable Suspicion

- Specific, articulate facts leading an officer to reasonably suspect that a person has committed, is committing or is about to commit a crime. 968.24



Uses of Reasonable Susp.

Stops of Persons



Stops of Vehicles



Stop Limits

- Subject Identification
- Stop Duration
- Subject Movement
- Use of Force

Stop and Frisk

- A frisk is a pat down of a person's exterior clothing done for the purpose of officer and subject safety
- It is authorized when an officers has an articulate, reasonable fear that a subject poses a threat

Reasonable Fear for Frisk

- Time of day
- Neighborhood
- Nature and demeanor of the subject including things like hands in pockets
- Nature of the underlying offense suspected
- Intoxication
- Whether the police are likely to put the subject in close quarters, like in a squad
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Vehicle Frisk

- Reasonable Fear for Frisk
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 7. The officer's subjective safety concerns
