

A legitimate law enforcement officer understands the concerns of the public. Law enforcement officers in unmarked vehicles or out of uniform will prominently display identification and/or badges on their person. A legitimate law enforcement officer will be prepared to identify themselves without hesitation to any member of the public. Many area law enforcement agencies make it a practice to identify themselves by rank and name upon making contact with a suspected traffic violator.

Once it is determined and verified you are stopped by a legitimate law enforcement officer, you are expected to comply with all lawful requests or demands.



LARAMIE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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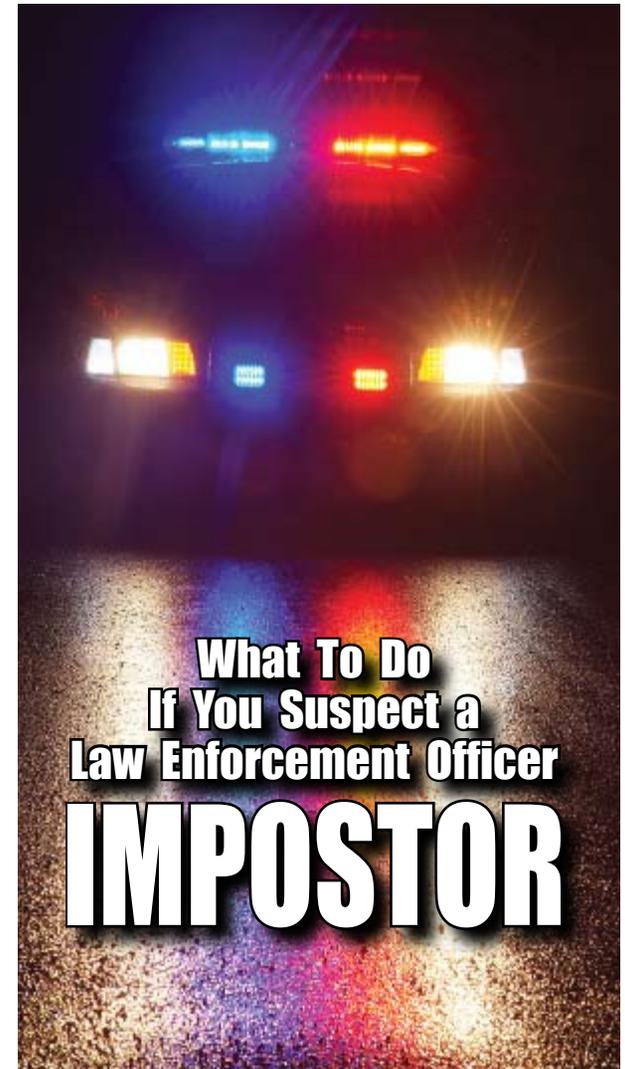
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**What To Do
If You Suspect a
Law Enforcement Officer
IMPOSTOR**



The Laramie County Sheriff's Office and local law enforcement understands the alarm caused to the public if they believe they are being pulled over by a police impostor.

If you suspect that the vehicle pulling you over may not be a law enforcement officer, follow these safety tips:

1. Put on your flashers, acknowledge that you see the officer (waving of hand) drive the speed limit and call 911 from your cell phone. Tell the 911 dispatcher that you are concerned that it may not be a real law enforcement officer.
2. Drive to a well lit, busy area such as the parking lot of a busy store.
3. If you do not have a cell phone, drive to a well lit, busy area.
4. Inform the dispatcher you are attempting to find a safe location to stop and continue to update them with your location.

5. Be very specific about your location, such as direction of travel, mile markers on an interstate and cross streets in the area. If you are not familiar or do not see a street number, then use a "unique landmark" description such as a mall.
6. Inform the dispatcher of your vehicle make, model and color.



7. Request a "marked unit" respond to assist.
8. Do not stop your vehicle or get out of your vehicle until a dispatcher can confirm you are being pulled over by a legitimate police officer or an additional marked police vehicle/officer is present.
9. If the dispatcher cannot confirm that you are being pulled over by a police officer, stay on the line with the dispatcher. Drive carefully to a safe place, such as a local police department.

10. Be observant of the following:

- Observe the color of the uniform and any clothing description.
 - Observe for any badges or patches. Do they match the jurisdiction you are in?
 - Observe any lights on the vehicle to include: The colors (red and/or blue), amount of lights, flashing strobes or single rotating light.
 - Observe the vehicle description upon departure to include a tag and any other characteristics or markings.
 - Provide this information to the dispatcher. ***If it is determined that it is a police impostor, wait inside your vehicle at a safe location for law enforcement.***
11. If you are issued documents that may be suspicious, contact the issuing agency about their legitimacy.
 12. A legitimate law enforcement officer will not flash headlights at your vehicle in order to get you to pull over.

