



## CITY OF MIAMI / MIAMI DADE COUNTY JUVENILE CURFEW



### CURFEW INFO

- The curfew makes it illegal for minors to linger or congregate in public areas inside of Miami-Dade County or the City of Miami once curfew hours have begun, whether in a vehicle or on foot.
- On weekdays (Sunday through Thursday), curfew hours are 11 p.m. through 6 a.m.
- On weekends (Friday and Saturday), curfew hours are 12 a.m. through 6 a.m.
- Police can ask anyone who they suspect of breaking the curfew for their personal identification.
- Any teen found in violation of the curfew will be given a citation and taken home or to a holding facility.
- On the third offense, police can fine the parents of the minor up to \$500.

### CURFEW EXCEPTIONS

The legislative language of the law allows for SOME IMPORTANT EXCEPTIONS. The law was intended to stop minors from loitering and engaging in potentially criminal behavior, but it was not intended to keep minors in their homes at all times. These are all admissible exceptions to the curfew law:

- Minors traveling home from work without stopping on the way back to their place of residence
- Minors traveling to another state
- Minors who are out on an errand with a written note from a parent
- Minors who are traveling in an emergency or a situation that requires prompt action to prevent bodily harm or the loss of life
- Minors who are accompanied by an adult age 21 or older or who are attending an official school or religious event
- Minors standing on the sidewalk of their own residence
- Minors returning from an event that began before 10 p.m.

- Minors who are legally married
- Minors who are homeless or living in a halfway home

#### CURFEW FACTS

The Juvenile Curfew Ordinance is just one of the tools utilized by City of Miami Police to prevent and deter juvenile criminal activity.

Let's continue to work together and make our community safe.