

SCREENING MANAGEMENT STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES



What about the Fourth Amendment?

The Constitution safeguards “the right of the people to be secure ... against unreasonable searches and seizures.”

This right is deeply rooted in the American experience. In colonial times, the English claimed an unrestrained, oft-abused power to search one’s property or person at any time, for any reason (or no reason). The ensuing resistance to such an egregious assault on the privacy of innocent individuals was, according to John Adams, “the spark in which originated the American Revolution.”

That spark’s kindling was ultimately the Declaration of Independence, a document in which Thomas Jefferson and his co-authors noted that “all experience hath shewn that mankind are more disposed to suffer, while evils are sufferable, than to right themselves by abolishing the forms to which they are accustomed.”

Suffice it to say that in the past decade, Americans have become accustomed to the increasing demands of the Transportation Security Administration. This organization’s “Standard Operating Procedures” are a compiled list of mandates that conflict with this right, as enumerated in the Fourth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution.

Simply put, Americans have traded away their liberty for a little security, and have lost both. The TSA doesn’t make us safer, but it does make us less free.

“We the People” need to determine whether we’re ready to abolish these forms to which we’ve become accustomed.

THE FOURTH AMENDMENT

The right of the people to be secure
IN THEIR PERSONS,
houses, papers, and effects,
**against unreasonable
searches and seizures,**
shall not be violated, and
no Warrants shall issue,
but upon probable cause,
supported by Oath or affirmation,
and particularly describing the place
to be searched, and the persons or
things to be seized.

**“Any society that would give
up a little liberty to gain a
little security will deserve
neither and lose both.”**

—Benjamin Franklin

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THE TSA

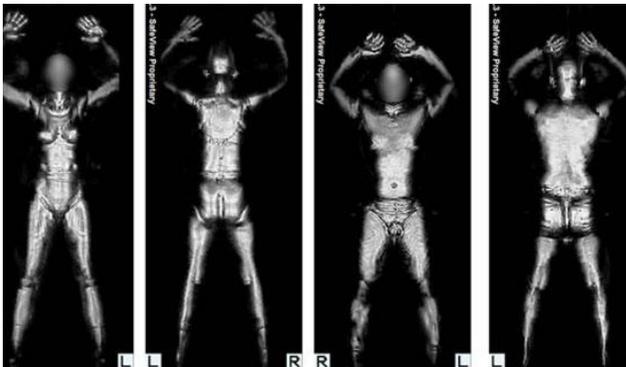
VIOLATING YOUR RIGHTS AND DIGNITY

LAND OF THE FREE?



THE OPTIONS TSA GIVES YOU

PORNOGRAPHY



The TSA first began testing its new backscatter machines in six airports as a primary method of screening passengers. Stimulus money has provided for the purchase and use of **many** more.

Health Concerns

Backscatter X-ray machines use ionizing radiation (a cumulative, known health hazard) for imaging. Children, pregnant women, and those with defective mutations are considered to be especially susceptible to DNA damage.

Privacy Concerns

As one newspaper noted, the scanner images “are detailed enough to identify a person’s gender... to identify a passenger’s surgery scars, or to discern whether a woman is on her menstrual cycle or not.” By submitting to this radiation, you are becoming a subject of literal pornography to be viewed, and in some cases stored and distributed, by TSA personnel.

Security Concerns

When confined in a machine, you can no longer maintain a clear line of sight to your property as your items enter and exit the X-ray scanner. Under these conditions, your property is susceptible to theft or tampering by fellow travelers and TSA staff.

Don’t Want This?

Tell the TSA agent **“I OPT OUT.”** Be polite, but be firm.

MOLESTATION



If you choose to opt out of the pornography-producing backscatter machines, you will be required to go through what the TSA calls an “enhanced” pat down. Or, in plain English, **molestation**.

These pat downs are **much** more invasive than their predecessors. Rather than the backs of their hands, TSA agents now use the palms. They touch every area of the body now, **including genitalia**.

They do it to men, women, disabled people, seniors, and children. A few weeks ago, a video of the TSA patting down a young child in the SLC airport went viral. Watch it here: <http://tinyurl.com/SLCTSA>

Think of how victims of sexual assault must feel, having a stranger groping intimate parts of their body. Here’s the account of one rape survivor:

“When I attempted to fly back to Minnesota, I found out about TSA’s new rules. What they did to me, in full view of everyone else in line, was like being sexually assaulted all over again. I was in shock. I hate myself that I allowed them to do this to me. I haven’t been able to stop crying since.”

How is this explained to children, who are instructed by parents to never let strangers touch their private parts? Suddenly TSA agents, in addition to parents and a doctor, are on the “safe” list...?

Don’t Want This?

You’ll soon see that your options are very limited.

GROUNDED, FINED



Last month in the San Diego airport, a man named John Tyner refused to consent to an “enhanced” pat down. He decided to leave the airport and not travel, rather than be molested.

He was harassed, detained, and questioned by TSA personnel and police. As he still intended to leave, the TSA manager threatened Tyner with a \$10,000 civil suit. His offense? “Leaving the security area without permission.” Read Tyner’s account here: <http://tinyurl.com/TynerSD>

That’s right—if you refuse to be irradiated, turned into pornography, or molested by a TSA agent, not only will you not be allowed to board your plane, but you will be under suspicion and investigated should you attempt to leave and depart the airport in peace.

This is wrong.

You have rights.

You have the right to travel (established by the U.S. Supreme Court). You have the right to engage in commerce with an airline. You have the right to be free from searches and seizures. You have the right to be presumed innocent unless reasonably suspected of committing or intending to commit a crime.

But the TSA doesn’t care about your rights.

The question is... do you?