

WHAT DOES THE BILL OF RIGHTS PROTECT?
Part One

R1

Amendment One

1. Free to go to any church ~ or not go at all
2. Gov't doesn't control the news media
3. Right to "assemble" ~ gather in public
4. Right to ask the gov't to change something
5. Freedom of speech ~ your OPINION not your WORDS!!

LIMITATION on all of these: Can't break the law / be violent / cause danger or panic.

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Amendment Two

Right to own weapons

LIMITATION: Government can require license / gun registration / limit KIND of gun.

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Amendment Three

No forced housing of soldiers

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Amendment Four

No "unreasonable" search and seizure (taking things)

LIMITATION: Can be searched w/out warrant if there's a good reason! (PROBABLE CAUSE).

R3

Amendment Five

1. No trial unless "indicted" (officially accused based on EVIDENCE)
2. Can't be tried repeatedly for the same incident (crime)
LIMITATION on this: Jury must reach a decision (verdict) or you may be re-tried.
3. Can't be forced to speak against yourself ("self-incrimination")
4. Rights can't be taken away unless tried/convicted of a crime
LIMITATION on this: Must be treated fairly by police/court (DUE PROCESS) but if found guilty by a jury, rights may be lost.
5. Gov't can't take property without paying a FAIR PRICE
LIMITATION on this: MUST sell if the price is fair.

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Amendment Six

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Right to a lawyer, know the charges, and a speedy, public, jury trial
(CRIMINAL case)

Amendment Seven

Right to a jury trial if someone sues you (a CIVIL case)

Amendment Eight

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No cruel or "UNUSUAL" fines or punishments

Amendment Nine

These aren't our only rights / protections (we can add amendments!)

Amendment Ten

If it's not in the Constitution it's a STATE power