

FIRST RESPONDER'S

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TERRORISM INCIDENTS



Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

Quick Reference Reminders for all First Responders to the scene of a terrorist incident



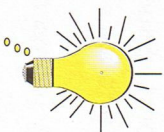
THE 10-8s (Ten "ates")

- 1. Evacuate**
the area as quickly and safely as possible.
- 2. Isolate**
the site to restrict access by all personnel.
- 3. Hesitate**
Fools Rush In. Don't be one. Do not enter the scene until you ---
- 4. Evaluate**
the situation and your potential response actions.
- 5. Communicate**
your conclusions and call for assistance as necessary (because of bomb danger, use NO radios or cellular phones closer than 300 yards). Notify hospitals as appropriate.
- 6. Infiltrate**
Go in carefully, only when it's time to do so.
- 7. Procrastinate**
Take no action until it is as safe as possible, and necessary.

8. Investigate
Remember, this is a crime scene. Do not exceed your authority but support and assist the investigation as appropriate.

9. Cooperate
with other responders (teamwork!) and with those in charge.

10. Decontaminate
and clean up carefully to avoid accidental removal of evidence and to avoid endangering others.



"GOLDEN RULE" For First Responders

Do not touch anything at a crime scene or remove anything from a crime scene unless

- 1) it is absolutely necessary for the performance of your official duties, or
- 2) it is done with the concurrence of the appropriate law enforcement personnel.



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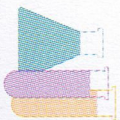
REMEMBER:

THIS IS A CRIME SCENE. It is the scene of a deliberately violent and lethal act. ***THERE MAY BE MORE.***



WORDS TO LIVE BY

- * Do not create more casualties “rescuing” the dead.
- * Life safety -- of 1) responders and 2) victims -- is first priority.
- * Second priority is preservation of evidence.
- * Examine victims for injuries and weapons. A perpetrator may have been injured, too.



CHEMICAL INCIDENT

- * Approach from upwind if possible.
- * Use personal protective equipment.
- * Stay clear of spills, vapors, fumes, and smoke.

- * Call for hazmat team.

- * Exclusion zone: 1,500 feet.



FIRE

- * Use fog streams instead of solid streams where possible to preserve evidence.
- * Contain runoff where possible.
- * Cover all entries with charged lines to prevent flare-ups.



BOMB

- * **Assume there are more!** Responders may be terrorist targets, too.
- * Establish 300 yard exclusion zone.
- * Do not use radios or cellular phones within 300 yards of the site.
- * Remove the injured as quickly and carefully as possible; leave the dead for coroners.



BIOLOGICAL/NERVE AGENTS

- * Watch for numbers of people or animals exhibiting similar symptoms of illness.
- * Watch for human or animal remains with no apparent trauma.
- * **IMMEDIATELY** don respirator and leave area if situation is suspicious. Establish “hot zone.”



NUCLEAR/RADIOLOGICAL

- * Not detectable without monitoring equipment.
- * Distance is best immediate protection; enforce bomb exclusion zone.
- * Remember: “Time, Distance, Shielding.”

