

Training around Counter Terrorism



UNDERSTANDING THE
CURRENT SITUATION



KEY MESSAGES AND
KEEPING YOURSELF
AND TEAM SAFE



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CNI Network local projects serve on the front line of communities. This training module links to the current national guidance. Communities defeat terrorism and as we go about our patrols within the night-time economy please be vigilant around this issue. If you have any concerns please report to your local police or the anti-terrorism hotline 0800 789 321.

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Community Briefings - Increased UK Threat Level

1 - Police Forces are advised to brief their key community contacts with the following form of words as below, as soon as possible, utilising both neighbourhood policing teams and Prevent Engagement Officers.

Please contact the anti-terrorism hotline - 0800 789 321 if you have any information relating to terrorism as well as your local police contacts.

2 - The UK National Threat Level is SEVERE; an attack is highly likely. The threat to the UK from international terrorism has increased, and has been driven by developments in Syria and Iraq. The situation there is providing an environment for terrorist groups, including the Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL) and Al Qaida (AQ)-linked groups, to plan attacks against the West. The availability of a large pool of individuals that have travelled from the UK and Europe to Syria heightens this threat. As these individuals return to the UK, there is a risk that a terrorist group will have tasked them to conduct attacks or that they will seek to conduct attacks on their own initiative.

3 - Briefings should seek to reassure communities and sites that may be feeling vulnerable due to this announcement. Increased visibility is intended to make communities feel safe and protected. Communities can expect to see an increase in high visibility police activity. The Police are advised to seek community support in the effort to combat terrorism through reporting via the Anti-terrorist hotline: 0800 789 321. This should include the reporting of those who are planning to travel, or who have travelled, to theatres of conflict such as Syria or Iraq.

The threat is a threat to the UK as a whole; not to a specific community or geographic location. Expect to see an increase in policing and communities are encouraged to ask questions of patrol officers to promote open engagement. Patrolling is intended to make communities safe and protected.

Confidential support can be sought from patrol officers for those who may be concerned about foreign fighters or whose friends and families are vulnerable to extremist ideology.

5 Key Messages:

The threat level to the UK from international terrorism has been raised to SEVERE: an attack is highly likely.

This is related to the developments in Syria and Iraq where groups are planning an attack in the UK, not to specific communities.

UK policing has a variety of operational tactics that are regularly used to prepare and protect the public.

People can expect to see an increase in high visibility police activity around a variety of sites, sectors and communities.

Communities defeat terrorism. The public are urged to report suspicious activity. We are particularly concerned about those might be intending to, or who have returned from, fighting in Syria and Iraq.





4 - The Police are requested to record and monitor hate crime linked to on-going tensions within UK communities.

Businesses:

5 - The National co-ordinator Protect and Prepare will brief business hub leaders through the Cross Sector Safety Communications network. The Police will use their existing partnership engagement processes to support local premises.

“We urge the public to remain vigilant and to report any suspicious activity to police. We need communities and families to bring to our attention anyone they perceive may be vulnerable, a danger or escalating towards terrorism.”

Protect Yourself and Your Team:

In the event of a terrorist attack: RUN, if you can, if you can't run, HIDE (put your phone on silence - stay away from doors and windows) when you can, TELL the police what's happening so they can get help there quickly to stop the threat. Also tell others of the threat so they don't approach danger. However, if someone is in immediate danger and their life is being threatened we would never criticise their actions if instinct takes over and they feel the need to fight back.



Video to watch - www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=12&v=4jxOXbpTmnk

Some web sites to visit with further guidance:

Recognising the terrorist threat - www.gov.uk/government/publications/recognising-the-terrorist-threat/recognising-the-terrorist-threat

Protecting against terrorism - http://www.cpni.gov.uk/documents/publications/2010/2010002-protecting_against_terrorism_3rd_edition.pdf

Managing the risks of terrorism - <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/managing-the-risks-from-terrorism>

Reduce your risk from terrorism whilst abroad - <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/reduce-your-risk-from-terrorism-while-abroad>