



Oakland County Emergency Response and Preparedness

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COMMUNITY THREAT LEVEL GUIDELINES

LOW
Low Risk of Terrorist Attacks

RECOMMENDED ACTION		Individual Family	Community
PLAN	Create an emergency plan for your neighborhood/business to address all hazards and emergencies, including alternative phone numbers for family members.	•	•
PREPARE	Prepare a 3-day disaster supply kit (water, non-perishable foods, first aid kit, flashlight, batteries, prescription drugs, etc).	•	•
IDENTIFY	Consider plans and contingencies to assist emergency worker's family members. Identify and address special needs of the elderly, handicapped or ill in your community or workplace.	•	•
REPORT	Report suspicious circumstances and/or individuals to law enforcement agencies. When in doubt, call and report.	•	•
REVIEW	Review all plans related to the anticipation of a higher threat level. Implement as appropriate.	•	•
OPERATE SAFELY	Continue to include safety and common sense practices in daily routines. Be security conscious.	•	•
TRAIN	Take first aid, Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation (CPR), and Automated External Defibrillator (AED) training (contact your American Red Cross @ 248-334-3575).	•	•
ASSIGN	Assign another location away from home to report to in case of an emergency. For businesses, also assign an alternate location/assembly area for your employees.	•	•
ASSESS	Practice safe mail-handling and mail receipt procedures.	•	•
SECURE	Keep vehicles locked. Use security lighting.	•	•
BEWARE	Exercise caution when traveling. Contact the International Travelers Health Advisory at (877) 394-8747.	•	•
LOG ON	Visit our website at www.co.oakland.mi.us/ems for further information and details on recommended actions.	•	•

GUARDED
Low Risk of Terrorist Attacks

RECOMMENDED ACTION		Individual Family	Community
CONTINUE	Continue or introduce all measures listed in previous condition.	•	•
PLAN	Implement security plans appropriate to the facility (i.e., churches, community centers, etc.).		•
MAINTAIN	Check emergency equipment and supplies. Keep vehicles fueled.	•	•
UPDATE	Update phone numbers and e-mail addresses of family, friends, neighbors, work personnel and all other emergency contacts.	•	•
EVALUATE	Test communications plan.	•	•
COORDINATE	Coordinate emergency plans with nearby neighbors/jurisdictions.	•	•
CONDUCT	Conduct neighborhood/building meetings to discuss emergency plans.	•	•
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ELEVATED

Significant Risk of Terrorist Attacks

RECOMMENDED ACTION		Individual Family	Community
CONTINUE	Continue to introduce all measure listed in previous conditions.	●	●
INSPECT	Routinely inspect the interior and exterior of buildings for suspicious packages, unauthorized vehicles, persons and security breaches.		●
OBSERVE	Maintain heightened awareness of people, vehicles and activities. Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to law enforcement agencies.	●	●
REVIEW	Review all plans related to the anticipation of a higher threat level. Implement as appropriate.	●	●
PATROL	Operate random patrols to check vehicles, people and buildings.		●
ALTERNATE	Develop and use alternate routes to and from home/school/work.	●	●
CHECK	Validate vendor lists for all routine deliveries and repair services. Check all deliveries to homes and facilities and, if suspicious, call local authorities. Check identification of delivery personnel.	●	●
PREPARE	Check all equipment for operational readiness, fill fuel tanks and check specialized response equipment.	●	●
INVENTORY	Check and replenish inventories of critical supplies and re-order if necessary.		●
RELOCATE	Move or secure vehicles and objects (trash containers, crates, etc.) away from buildings.		●
CONTACT	Contact a security firm to provide necessary support/reinforcement.		●
LOG ON	Visit our website at www.co.oakland.mi.us/ems for further information and details on recommended actions.	●	●

HIGH

High Risk of Terrorist Attacks

RECOMMENDED ACTION		Individual Family	Community
CONTINUE	Continue or introduce all measures listed in previous conditions. Remain calm.	●	●
PREPARE	Be prepared to work at an alternate site and/or with a dispersed workforce. Check with your employer for his/her plan.		●
PREPARE	Be prepared and expect disruptions and delays of normal activities (power, phones, traffic, road closures, etc.).	●	●
ADDRESS	Address children's fears of terrorist attacks.	●	●
SECURE	Enforce parking of vehicles away from sensitive buildings. Randomly search vehicles in regulated parking areas.		●
STRENGTHEN	Increase defensive measures around key structures and events. Introduce physical security procedures. Restrict access as needed.		●
REVIEW	Review emergency plans at school, work and home.	●	●
DONATE	Donate blood, if needed, at a blood collection center.	●	●
BEWARE	Take additional security precautions at special events. Be aware of your surroundings and report suspicious circumstances.	●	●
LOG ON	Visit Oakland County's website at www.co.oakland.mi.us emergency alert banner for further information and instructions.	●	●

SEVERE

Severe Risk of Terrorist Attacks

RECOMMENDED ACTION		Individual Family	Community
CONTINUE	Continue or introduce all measures listed in previous conditions. Remain calm, do not panic.	●	●
RESPOND	Shelter in place or evacuate if instructed by government officials.	●	●
RESTRICT	Implement parking and entry restrictions. Park vehicles away from key facilities. Construct physical security barriers and checkpoints.		●
COMMUNICATE	Contact businesses, schools and key facilities to determine operating status.	●	●
PROVIDE	Provide volunteer services if requested.		●
CANCEL	Consider canceling or cancel special or large events.		●
OBEY	Obey travel and other restrictions implemented by the government.	●	●
ASSIST	Assist the elderly and people with special needs. Keep them informed.	●	●
CLOSE	Close schools, businesses and public buildings if necessary.		●
CHECK	Check identification and provide escorts for visitors in schools, businesses and public buildings.		●
COUNSEL	Have trained counselors available to the community to help with stress related to terrorist threats.		●
LISTEN	Listen to radio/television for current information or instructions.	●	●
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