



# HSQE Briefing July 2017



# Think Safe, Act Safe and Be Safe



## Our Safety Vision:

- Our vision of “preventing harm to all” is at the centre of our Safety Strategy and is synonymous with our commitment to resourcing and working safely.
- We believe that our vision can be achieved if we all develop a safe mind-set, plan our tasks correctly and actively seek ways to prevent incidents. We also believe that behaving in a safe way will also lead to zero accidents. We have devised a set of rules that underpins our vision and are consistent with our mantra. **Think safe, act safe and be safe!**



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**In this edition:**

- Terrorism in the UK. What should you do?
- Runaway of personnel trolley

**Action required:**

After reading this briefing, you are required to respond, please click **“I have read and understood”** or email [lmillard@resourcing-solutions.com](mailto:lmillard@resourcing-solutions.com) with acknowledgement and any questions/suggestions

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## International terrorism:

**Overview:** The Current (July 2017) international terrorism threat in the UK is **SEVERE**  
SEVERE means an attack is highly likely.

MI5 (Military Intelligence, Section 5) is the United Kingdom's domestic counter-intelligence and security agency. The current threat levels are always shown on their website;

<https://www.mi5.gov.uk/threat-levels>

They have also issued guidance on some simple actions to consider at an incident and the information that armed officers may need in the event of a weapons or firearm attack. Please take the time to read the detail in this advice, as RSL had rail workers at London Bridge Station recently when a major incident occurred.

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## Initial actions:

**Overview:** The initial response to a threat and communication for help (Telephone-999), is very similar to making an emergency phone call to a signaller. The information given should be precise and clear. You can remember the order of the conversation using **ETHANE**.

- **E**xact Location            Confirm nearest junction or exact address.    Geographic size of the incident.
- **T**ype of Incident            Explosion, building collapse, firearms incident etc.
- **H**azards                      Identify the hazards present or suspected (such as number of hostiles, types of weapons etc.)  
                                        Consider potential or secondary devices.  
                                        Is evacuation or invacuation necessary and safe?
- **A**ccess Routes              Update with routes that are safe to use  
                                        Clarify routes which are blocked  
                                        Nominate and search the RVP
- **N**o. of Casualties            List type and severity  
                                        Approximate number of dead, injured, survivors and witnesses
- **E**mergency Services        List those Services present and those required  
                                        Conduct a joint dynamic hazard assessment with the emergency services



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## STAY SAFE : Terrorist firearms and weapons attacks:

**Overview:** Firearms and weapons attacks are rare in the UK. The 'STAY SAFE' principles tell you some simple actions to consider at an incident and the information that armed officers may need in the event of a weapons or firearm attack;

**Overview:** Run, Hide, Tell

### Run

- Escape if you can
- Consider the safest options
- Is there a safe route? RUN if not HIDE
- Can you get there without exposing yourself to greater danger?
- Insist others leave with you
- Leave belongings behind

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## STAY SAFE : Terrorist firearms and weapons attacks:

Overview: Run, Hide, Tell

### Hide

- If you cannot RUN, HIDE
- Find cover from gunfire
- If you can see the attacker, they may be able to see you
- Cover from view does not mean you are safe, bullets go through glass, brick, wood and metal
- Find cover from gunfire e.g. substantial brickwork/heavy reinforced walls
- Be aware of your exits
- Try not to get trapped
- Be quiet, silence your phone and turn off vibrate
- Lock/barricade yourself in
- Move away from the door

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## STAY SAFE : Terrorist firearms and weapons attacks:

**Overview:** Run, Hide, Tell

### Tell

- Call 999 - what do the police need to know? If you cannot speak or make a noise, listen to the instructions given to you by the call taker
- Location - where are the suspects?
- Direction - where did you last see the suspects?
- Descriptions – describe the attacker, numbers, features, clothing, weapons etc.
- Further information – casualties, type of injury, building information, entrances, exits, hostages etc.
- Stop other people entering the building if it is safe to do so.

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## STAY SAFE : Terrorist firearms and weapons attacks:

**Overview:** Run, Hide, Tell..... When the authorities arrive...

- **ARMED POLICE RESPONSE**
- Follow officers instructions
- Remain calm
- Can you move to a safer area?
- Avoid sudden movements that may be considered a threat
- Keep your hands in view
  
- **OFFICERS MAY**
- Point guns at you
- Treat you firmly
- Question you
- Be unable to distinguish you from the attacker
- Officers will evacuate you when it is safe to do so

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## STAY SAFE : Terrorist firearms and weapons attacks:

- **You must STAY SAFE**
- What are your plans if there were an incident?
- What are the local plans? e.g. personal emergency evacuation plan



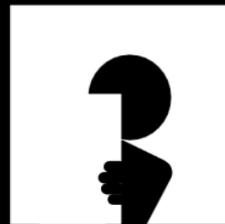
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**ACT**

ACTION  
COUNTERS  
TERRORISM

**IN THE RARE EVENT OF**  
a firearms or weapons attack

**RUN HIDE TELL**



**RUN** to a place of safety. This is a far better option than to surrender or negotiate. If there's nowhere to go, then...

**HIDE** It's better to hide than to confront. Remember to turn your phone to silent and turn off vibrate. Barricade yourself in if you can. Then finally and only when it is safe to do so...

**TELL** the police by calling 999.

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### Runaway of Permaquip 'B' type personnel trailer NRB 17/11



- During a Network Rail LNW North possession on the evening of Saturday 28 May an incident occurred involving a Permaquip Gator Road Rail Vehicle (RRV) and a 'B' type personnel trailer.
- The driver had driven alone for 10 miles with the Gator and trailer from Grindlefod to Cowburn tunnel. When at Cowburn tunnel he reported to the assistant section manager that the trailer brakes were sticking on and the machine was sluggish. Subsequently, the section manager who was the Engineering Supervisor made a decision to send the machine and trailer to Bamford to facilitate off tracking the vehicle and trailer within the possession time. A strap was applied that disabled the trailer brakes.
- During that seven mile journey, with the Gator propelling the trailer, the trailer be-came detached and **ran away for some 1¼ miles within the possession** before coming to a stop on a set of points. Other staff had been working at those points earlier in the shift.

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## **Runaway of Permaquip 'B' type personnel trailer NRB 17/11**



**Do you know what checks to make?**

- How should the brakes on RRVs and trailers be tested during on-tracking and before uncoupling from an RRV?
- What action should you take if the brakes do not operate as expected?
- What should happen with the coupling pins and locking pins before a RRV and trailer are moved?
- When you take over the operation and control of an RRV and trailer how do you ensure the brakes are working correctly?
- If you became aware of any defective equipment being used in your work area, what would you do?



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