

Officer

SAFETY CHECKLIST

1. Stop, look and listen; gather information before you act.
2. Do not rush when the situation doesn't really require speed.
3. Get plenty of assistance.
4. Stay alert for the danger signs.
5. Wear your body armor.
6. Maintain a reactionary gap; don't get too close too soon.
7. Watch your approach and positioning.
8. Always watch their hands.
9. Don't make dangerous assumptions.
10. Use cover properly.
11. Use backup wisely; follow good contact and cover tactics.
12. Follow careful weapons retention practices.
13. Never stop looking for the next threat.
14. Expect the unexpected.
15. Make some contingency plans for surprises.
16. Never use "cowboy" tactics.
17. Never daydream on the job; stay alert.
18. Maintain proficiency with all your equipment through regular practice.
19. Realize that all equipment has limitations, and so do you.
20. In a crisis situation, make a decision, even if it's imperfect.
21. Stay in good physical/emotional condition.
22. Handcuff properly.
23. Search correctly.
24. Be aware of who and what is present in your immediate environment.
25. Practice tactical withdrawal, as required.
26. Count on your good common sense.
27. Maintain a winning mind set.
28. Avoid carelessness and complacency at all costs.
29. Never stop learning your job.
30. Remember to survive mentally too.

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EMERGENCY POINTS OF CONTACT

Bomb/Explosive Issues	888/ATF-BOMB
Center for Disease Control (CDC)	888-232-3228
National Response Center-Chem/Bio Hotline	800-424-8802
Civil Air Patrol, National Operations Center	888-211-1812
Department of Homeland Security	202-282-8000
NHTSA Auto Safety Hotline	888-327-4236
FEMA	
Regional Contact Information	800-480-2520
Apply for Assistance.	800-621-3362
Report Fraud	800-323-8603
U.S. Marshall Fugitive Hotline	800-336-0102
Poison Control Center Hotline	800-222-1222
State Dept.—Travel Warnings	202-647-5225
National Child Abuse Hotline	800-4-A-CHILD
National Domestic Violence Hotline.	800-799-7233
National Missing/Exploited Children Hotline	800-843-5678

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