



New Hampshire Department of Safety Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

See Something Say Something® Talking Points

What is suspicious activity?

Suspicious activity is any observed behavior that could indicate terrorism or terrorism-related crime.

This includes, but is not limited to:

- Unusual items or situations: a vehicle is parked in an odd location, a package/luggage is unattended, a window/door is open that is usually closed, or other out-of-the-ordinary situations occur.
- Eliciting information: A person questions individuals at a level beyond curiosity about a building's purpose, operations, security procedures and/or personnel, shift changes, etc.
- Observation/surveillance: Someone pays unusual attention to facilities or buildings beyond a casual or professional interest. This includes extended loitering without explanation (particularly in concealed locations); unusual, repeated, and/or prolonged observation of a building (e.g., with binoculars or video camera); taking notes or measurements; counting paces; sketching floor plans, etc.

Some of the indicators of suspicious activity can be innocent, however citizens are encouraged to trust their instincts and report any activity that they feel is suspicious to law enforcement and allow the authorities to determine whether the behavior warrants investigation.

What is NOT suspicious?

Factors such as race, ethnicity, gender, and/or religious affiliation are not indicators of suspicious behavior.

Protecting Civil Rights and Civil Liberties

The "If You See Something, Say Something®" campaign respects citizens' privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties by emphasizing behavior, rather than appearance, in identifying suspicious activity.

Reporting Suspicious Activity

Public safety and security is everyone's responsibility. If you see suspicious activity, call 9-1-1 or report it to local authorities. Remember to use the "5W's" when reporting suspicious activity:

- WHO did you see?
- WHAT did you see?
- WHEN did you see it?
- WHERE did it occur?
- WHY is it suspicious?

About the Campaign

"If You See Something, Say Something®" is a national campaign that raises public awareness of the indicators of terrorism and terrorism-related crime, as well as the importance of reporting suspicious activity to state and local law enforcement. The campaign is trademarked by the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority and is licensed to the U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS).

Protect your everyday. Report suspicious activity to 9-1-1 or local authorities. If you see something, say something.