

S - Secure Quick Guide

Look - Protect - Reduce - Organize - Decide

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Recall aid after completing S - Secure

EMERGENCY BOUNDARY

Use the approved emergency route immediately when danger or medical instability cannot safely wait. This guide does not create authority or replace local procedures.

THREAT

violence, weapon, credible threat, dangerous behavior

MEDICAL

injury, responsiveness, breathing, ingestion, deterioration

ACCESS

entry, exit, visibility, communication, responder reach

PEOPLE

helping, escalating, exposed, missing, separate needs

PRESSURE

noise, crowding, conflict, questions, sensory load

POSITION

distance, exits, sight lines, objects, traffic, elevation

1 Look

Pause; scan all six conditions before adding pressure.

2 Protect

Take required emergency action and immediate protection within role.

3 Reduce

Remove avoidable people, objects, noise, exposure, conflict, or competing direction.

4 Organize

Assign functions within authority; otherwise activate capability and confirm acceptance.

5 Decide

Approach, hold, change the arrangement, or withdraw and escalate.

IMMEDIATE FIELD STATEMENT

Condition - Action - Owner - Next action - Trigger

State the current condition without overclaiming; protection taken; current owner; next observable action; exact change that reopens Secure or escalates.

SECURE COMPLETION TEST

Move only when the defined next action can occur without preventable added harm and every remaining consequential condition has a current owner, accepted capability, or emergency route. Calm, cooperation, arrival, or one removed hazard is not enough.

EXACT RETURN TRIGGERS

New danger or violence; medical deterioration; blocked access or exit; new or escalating people; renewed pressure; unsafe position; failed support; or a next action that can no longer occur safely.