

Potential Indicators of Suspicious Activities Related To Movie Theaters

What Should I Consider Suspicious?

- Surveillance (note taking, using binoculars, mapping, etc.) of key facilities or exits
- Attempts to gain sensitive information regarding key facilities, personnel, or security through personal contact, phone, mail or e-mail
- Attempts to test security and response procedures (opening emergency exits, setting off fire alarms, etc.)
- Unusual attempts to gain access to areas restricted to the public
- Individuals dressed in unseasonably bulky clothing or tactical gear
- Written/verbal threats or vague/cryptic warnings, including references to previous attacks, attackers, or terrorist groups
- Use of emergency exits during non-emergency situations
- Propping open or tampering with the locking mechanism of emergency doors
- Individuals leaving the theater and attempting to re-enter with suspicious containers, gear, weapons, or clothing
- Attempts to block exits
- Unattended packages or suspicious containers (backpack, duffel bag, etc.)
- Unusual odors, substances, or stains resembling oil or other flammable materials
- Vehicles parked in unusual places or containing what appear to be materials that could be used in an attack (weapons, explosives, tactical gear, etc.)

It is important to remember that just because someone's speech, actions, beliefs, appearance, or way of life is different, does not mean that he or she is suspicious.

What Should I Do?

- ✓ Make note of suspicious statements, people and/or vehicles.
- ✓ Report missing or stolen vehicles or license plates to law enforcement authorities.
- ✓ If something seems wrong, notify law enforcement authorities.

Do not jeopardize your safety or the safety of others. In an emergency, call 911.

Ensuring domestic security is a community effort. By learning what to look for, you can make a positive contribution to domestic security.

This information was adapted from indicators provided by the FDLE. For additional suspicious activity indicators, please visit the FDLE website at www.fdle.state.fl.us.