



Vehicle Borne IED Identification: Parked Vehicles

OFFICE FOR BOMBING PREVENTION

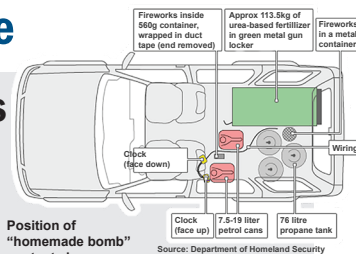
Recognize the potential indicators of a suspicious parked vehicle

Potential IED Indicators

- Heavy, sagging vehicle (rear-weighted)
- Covered or obscured windows (blankets, towels, cardboard)
- Large containers on seats or cargo area: bags, boxes, barrels, tanks
- License plates removed or altered
- Odor of propane, acids, or chemicals
- Disassociated or extraneous visible wires, switches, batteries, or antennae inside or on vehicle
- Cargo concealed with tarp or blanket that is inconsistent with vehicle use

Suspicious Behavior Threat Indicators

- Person parks and moves rapidly away from the vehicle.
- Positioned/Parked:
 - Illegally or near authorized vehicle entrances or crowded access points
 - In an area that has a known threat against it
 - In a vulnerable location (i.e. next to important building, large crowd, critical support structure, etc.)



PREVENT ★ PROTECT ★ RESPOND ★ MITIGATE

If vehicle is suspicious:

Avoid the Area

Don't touch the suspected vehicle. Instead, move away immediately and direct others to do the same.

Isolate the Suspected Vehicle

Establish a perimeter to secure the area and continue to direct people away. Use frontal and overhead cover if available. See portion of the bomb stand-off card provided.

Notify Appropriate Emergency Services

Describe the suspicious vehicle, the location of the item, the time of placement and discovery, and your actions to mitigate risk.

If vehicle is not suspicious:

- Follow local organization, agency, or jurisdiction protocol
- Treat with caution
- Attempt to locate the owner
- Notify authorities - non emergency

Threat Description 		Explosives Capacity	Mandatory Evacuation Distance	Shelter-in-Place Zone	Preferred Evacuation Distance
 Car		500 lbs	320 ft	321-1899 ft	+1900 ft
 SUV/Van		1,000 lbs	400 ft	401-2399 ft	+2400 ft
 Small Delivery Truck		4,000 lbs	640 ft	641-3799 ft	+3800 ft
 Container/Water Truck		10,000 lbs	860 ft	861-5099 ft	+5100 ft
 Semi-Trailer		60,000 lbs	1570 ft	1571-9299 ft	+9300 ft

If you **see** something, **say** something[®]

REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY. Contact **local law enforcement** or **9-1-1** in case of emergency

DEFEND TODAY, SECURE TOMORROW

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