



Preparedness Empowers You It saves lives, property, and time.

Emergencies happen, often with little or no notice. By taking action beforehand you can be prepared for any emergency.

**Be Ready Navy!
I am. Are you?**

Protests

A Protest is an asserted objection that ranges from an individual statement to a mass demonstration. Protests, also referred to as demonstrations, have and can occur near military installations and embassies worldwide, often just outside the main gate. Though these demonstrations are often performed with notice and are peaceful, they can be unpredictable. The following information is provided to help you Be Ready Navy.

What to Expect if a Protest Occurs on or Near Your Installation

- In most cases, organizers obtain a license or permit to demonstrate and the installation is given notice, including time, location, and duration of the event.
- Alerts will be issued by Installation officials through the Wide Area Alert Network (WAAN), social media, and other means to inform Sailors, personnel, and families of the impending or occurring protest.
- Delays and increased traffic may occur depending on the size of the event.
- Gate closures are possible leading up to, during, and after a demonstration.
- As a safety precaution, certain establishments on or off base may be deemed "off limits."
- Commanders may adjust force protection conditions (FPCONs), also known as threat conditions (THREATCONs), based on intelligence and level of threat. Increased security measures can be expected with increased levels of FPCONs.

How to Prepare for a Protest

- Ensure your current contact information is registered in the WAAN. Receive alerts wherever you are by registering home and cellphone numbers.
- Be aware of alternate travel routes in case of gate closures issued to avoid demonstrators.
- Prepare an emergency kit for your home, car, and office in case you are directed to shelter-in-place or lockdown.

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What to Do if a Protest Occurs on or Near Your Installation

- Listen to and follow all official advisories and alerts.
- If you must pass information to others, pass only official, vetted information, and refrain from voicing speculation that may start rumors and unnecessary alarm.
- Avoid protestors if possible.
- Use alternate route and/or gates away from protestors.
- Do not engage demonstrators if you are in their location.
- If driving near a protest, stay in your vehicle, lower your speed, and be cautious.
- Remain calm.
- Be respectful (i.e., do not honk if in your vehicle, etc.).
- Be alert for any unusual or suspicious activity.

DoD Instruction Regarding Off-Post Demonstration by Service Members

Members of the Armed Forces are prohibited from participating in off-post demonstrations if:

- They are in uniform in violation of DoD Instruction 1334.1.
- They are on duty.
- They are in a foreign country.
- The activities constitute a breach of law and order.
- Violence is likely to occur.

Where to Find More Information

- DoDI 1325.06—<http://www.dtic.mil/whs/directives/corres/pdf/132506p.pdf>
- State Department Travel Advisories—<http://travel.state.gov/content/passports/english/alertswarnings.html>
- Follow your Installation's social media updates—<http://www.defense.gov/RegisteredSites/SocialMediaSites.aspx>

Understand FPCON Levels

- **FPCON/THREATCON NORMAL:**
There is no credible threat of terrorist activity.
- **FPCON/THREATCON ALPHA:** A general threat of terrorist activity against personnel or the installation exists, but its nature and extent is unpredictable.
 - » Access to military facilities is limited.
 - » Random checks, to include vehicles, are increased.
- **FPCON/THREATCON BRAVO:** An increased or more predictable threat of terrorist activity exists.
 - » An increase in ID checks and inspections of facilities, deliveries, and packages is implemented.
 - » Some traffic will be restricted and vehicle barriers emplaced.
- **FPCON/THREATCON CHARLIE:** A terrorist incident occurs or intelligence indicates some form of threat against personnel and/or facilities is imminent.
 - » Access to military facilities is further restricted.
 - » Special instructions and extra duties may be issued to personnel to support unit security.
- **FPCON/THREATCON DELTA:** A local, high state of alert condition used in the immediate area where a terrorist attack has occurred or when intelligence has been received that terrorist action is imminent.
 - » Commanders bring their units to a high state of alert and many mission activities are delayed or canceled.
 - » Resources are focused on defense against attack.

Be Ready Navy—Be informed before, during, and after an incident; make a written family emergency plan; and build an emergency supply kit good for at least three days.

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