

Search for:

- Shell fragments or improvised shrapnel (rebar, ball bearings, nuts and bolts)
- Wires or electronic parts
- Melted/charred plastic
- Fresh, man-made objects (food, water bottles, cigarettes)

Process the Evidence

- 1) Document who, what, when, where, and, if possible, why.
- 2) **DO NOT** touch evidence with ungloved hands!
- 3) Collect potential evidence in a clean container (Ziploc bag, paper bag, meals ready-to-eat box). Place evidence containing blood or bodily fluids in paper bags only.
- 4) Record witness statement and descriptions.
- 5) Safeguard all evidence.
- 6) Establish and follow chain of custody.
- 7) Evidence may later be used in court.
- 8) Turn ALL evidence in to S2 as soon as possible.

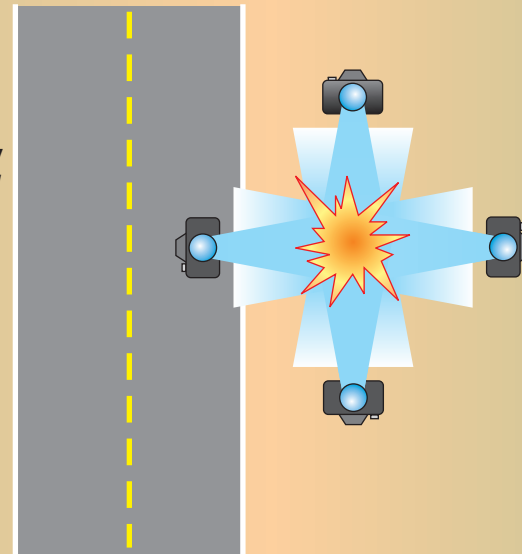
NOTE:

- **If you find a cell phone/computer, remove the battery, then disconnect power. DO NOT turn off.**

Photograph the Scene

- 1) Photograph the immediate and general area. Include victims, vehicles, and crowds (but not military personnel).
- 2) Photograph site from all cardinal directions.
- 3) Photograph the blast site and damage; record heights, lengths, and widths.
- 4) Use a scale in photographs: rifle for large items, GTA for small items.
- 5) Photograph evidence as found.
- 6) Enroll all potential suspects/witnesses in biometrics database. Use HIIDE camera.

**Scene Photography
N - S - E - W**



9-Line Explosive Hazard Report

- 1) **Date-time group:**

- 2) **Reporting unit and location:**

- 3) **Contact method (call sign/frequency):**

- 4) **Type of munitions (dropped, projected, place or thrown):**

- 5) **NBC contamination (yes or no):**

- 6) **What resource is threatened:**

- 7) **Impact on mission:**

- 8) **Protective measures taken:**

- 9) **Recommended priority (immediate, indirect, minor, or no threat):**

For recommended changes or additions, contact:
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**Explosive Event
Initial Response Guide**

**Smart Card
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Purpose

To establish procedures for processing an explosive event site to gather important information and materials in the absence of follow-on exploitation teams.

The target audience is a patrol who encounters an explosive device and, after reporting to higher, is told that exploitation teams (joint weapons inspection team [J-WIT], sensitive site exploitation, etc.) are unable to respond. The patrol should collect what it can (as safety dictates) and continue the mission.

Team Leader

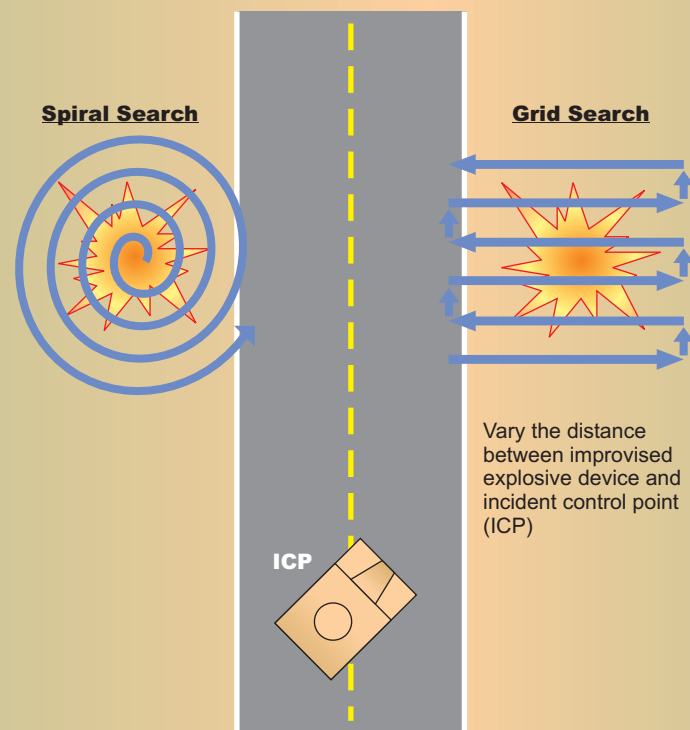
- 1) Conduct safety sweep (5/25).
- 2) Establish incident control point (maintain 360° security; keep civilians out).
- 3) Report to higher, request WIT and explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) support (especially if loss of life/catastrophic equipment loss).
- 4) If WIT not available, assemble personnel and equip to coordinate search.
- 5) Conduct an overall scene evaluation.
- 6) Allow EOD to clear area. (**DO NOT** interfere with EOD.)
- 7) Assign personnel to conduct search.
- 8) Establish and coordinate search pattern.
- 9) Use Handheld Interagency Identity Detection Equipment (HIIDE) device to enroll all witnesses.
- 10) Interview all witnesses (statement, contact information, signatures).

Caution Points

- Maintain security during sweep.
- Beware of **SECONDARY DEVICES** set to kill first responders — you or members of your team.

Processing the Site

- 1) Diagram immediate blast area.
- 2) Conduct search of site.
- 3) Identify evidence found at the scene; record location on site diagram.
- 4) Record location of incident using grid coordinates
** 8-digit minimum **



Search kit:

- Storage boxes
- Trash bags/envelopes
- Chem lights
- Rubber gloves
- Label tags
- Camera, extra batteries
- Pens/dry erase pens
- Nonpermanent markers
- Rifle cleaning swabs
- Space blanket
- 8 x 10 whiteboard
- Scale for photos

1) Tag Number _____

2) Date/Time _____

3) Place/Coordinates _____

4) Circumstances _____

5) Unit and Point of Contact _____

6) Item Description _____

7) Item Serial Number _____