



Health and Safety

Responder Security



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Security Threats


- Intentional malevolent threats
 - Angered owners
 - Animal rights activists
 - Unauthorized media
 - Vandalism or theft
- Unintentional threats
 - Inadvertent intruders
 - Curious visitors
 - “Self-deployed” volunteers
- Aggressive dogs



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Site and Personal Security

- Control access to the work site
 - Limit unauthorized access
- Prevent interference with response
- Account for personnel
- Limit risk of disease, hazards or injury



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Security Officer

- Works with Operations Section Chief
 - Assess any security threats
 - Determine control measures
 - Establish personnel identification system
 - Establish communication system
 - Implement use of temporary fencing

Site Control Plan

- Site map and boundaries
- Site work zones
- Site communication
- Safe work practices
 - Use of “buddy system”
 - Personal protective equipment
- Medical assistance instructions

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Site Security

- Control entry/exit
 - Limit unauthorized access
- Establish site boundaries
 - Post signs at perimeter
- Lighting
- Log book for allowed personnel
- Designated security personnel
 - Law enforcement

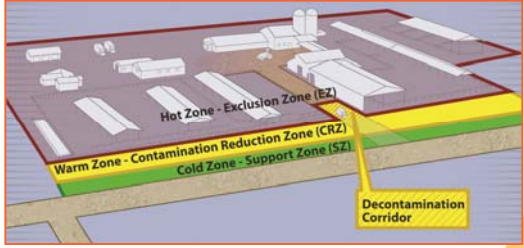
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Work Zones

- Work zones
 - Control access and movement in area
 - Deters unauthorized personnel
 - Reduce risk of spread of disease
- Establishment of work zones
 - Personnel are properly protected
 - Work activities confined to certain areas
 - Personnel can be located quickly

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Biosecurity Work Zones



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Responder Responsibility

- Follow established security measures
 - Explained at initial briefing
- Communication
 - Established methods
 - Cell phone, radio
- Be aware of surroundings
 - Unauthorized or suspicious persons
 - If noticed, contact your supervisor
 - Monitor the individual until assisted

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Buddy System

- Accountability
 - Accounted for at ALL times
 - Site investigations, response control zone
 - Enter/exit through designated points
- Work in pairs
 - Stay in close visual contact
 - Assist partner as needed
 - Observe for signs of distress
 - Find emergency assistance if needed



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Non-Cooperative or Threatening Persons

- Guidelines
 - Travel in teams or with buddy
 - Carry cell phone at all times
 - Remain calm; avoid confrontation
 - Leave if safety concerns exist
 - Call supervisor, team leader or police
 - Document and report the incident
 - Situations can escalate quickly
- Interference is violation of US Code

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Aggressive Dogs

- Be aware of surroundings
 - Listen for barking and observe when entering
- Do not enter when
 - Unrestrained dogs
 - Barking, but no dog seen



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Aggressive Dogs

- When confronted by dog:
 - Do not stare into eyes or run
 - Stop, slowly back away, place barrier
 - If you fall, curl into ball with hands over head/neck
 - Get treatment and report if bitten

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Resources

- USDA Foreign Animal Disease Preparedness (FAD PReP) Guidelines: Health and Safety
 - http://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/emrs/nahems.shtml
- USDA Health and Safety Plan
 - http://www.aphis.usda.gov/emergency_response/hasp/health_safety_hs_training.shtml

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