

Hostile Intruder | Active Violence | Active Shooter: Information Available from ECU Emergency Management

<http://www.emergency.ecu.edu/emergency-action-quick-reference-and-sheltering-place>

<http://emergency.ecu.edu/secure-place-recommendations-about-hostile-intruder-active-violence-active-shooter>

Options for Consideration from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security:

<http://www.dhs.gov/video/options-consideration-active-shooter-preparedness-video>

<https://training.fema.gov/EMIWeb/IS/courseOverview.aspx?code=IS-907>

Armed Intruder | Actual or Potential Violence:

In a dangerous, or potentially dangerous, situation, you must quickly determine the most reasonable way to protect your own life. You should seek a safe environment, without endangering others, through evacuation or sheltering.

The concept of seeking shelter is to provide protection from an outside atmosphere or condition that may be immediately dangerous to life, health, or safety.

Shelter In Place | From an Armed Intruder | Secure In Place

Protective Action Recommendations:

- If a person enters your building with a weapon, immediately evacuate the building.
- If a person is seen outdoors with a weapon, seek shelter in the nearest unsecured building or leave the area.
- Warn other people in the area, provide assistance as you are able, and try to remain calm.
- Protect yourself. Hide out, by seeking shelter, and taking cover, in a secure place within a building.
- Generally speaking, and outside of the Pre-K or K-12 environment, unless you can do so quickly and easily, without exposing yourself to the danger, do not worry about locking the perimeter doors of your building. Consider that other innocents might try to seek refuge inside of your building as well. You should look for small, interior, securable, spaces to hide out in.
- If you are away from the area involved, stay away.
- Call 911, when it is safe to do so, if you need help or if you have information relevant to the incident.

Good practices for coping with a potentially dangerous intruder:

- Be aware of your environment and any possible dangers.
- Take note of the two nearest exits in any facility you visit.
- If you are in an office, stay there, and secure the door.
- If you are in a hallway, get into a room, and secure the door.
- If you cannot get into an office or a room, you should try to escape or improvise another hiding place.