



# SUSPICIOUS PERSONS IN THE WORKPLACE

## What Makes a Person Suspicious?

- You don't recognize the person as someone who should be in the building.
- The individual is not wearing their employee identification.
- They may be wearing odd clothing for the season.
- The person may appear nervous.
- If challenged, they may give you vague answers with little or no eye contact.
- Their actions or inactions may be suspect:
  - Being in work areas they have no legitimate business being in.
  - Wandering.
  - Not asking for assistance.

## What Should You Do If You Encounter A Suspicious Person In Your Building

- If possible, let a co-worker know that you are confronting a suspicious person in the building.
- Ask the person if they need help in a non-confrontational manner.
- Be nosy – Why are they here? Who do they need to see?
- If they are looking for a person or department on the same floor, then personally escort them there.
- If they are looking for a person or department on a different floor, then:
  - Call that person or department and tell them that the visitor is being sent to their location.
  - Ask them to call you back if the visitor does not show up in a few minutes.

## Suppose That Doesn't Work ?

- Be observant.
- Get the best physical description you can of the person and immediately write it down.
- Note their direction of travel.
- Call the police immediately to report the suspicious person. For areas outside of Capitol Police jurisdiction, your agency may advise you to call building security first.

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