

Introduction

Given enough time, determination and the right equipment a skilled criminal can defeat any security system or locking mechanism. This is one of the reasons why security officers conducting physical security are still in demand. Security officers also detect and prevent hazards and petty crimes, maintain general order during ordinary conditions and provide support and direction during emergencies.

The role of a security officer is pro-active and requires a strong work ethic, common sense, good judgment and sufficient training. This manual contains sixteen basics every new recruit should know. These basics provide the framework to accomplish these four purposes:

1. To prepare a new recruit for ordinary conditions while on duty.
2. To help the officer recognize and correct current security problems as well as recognize and prevent the occurrence of possible future problems.
3. To help the officer be prepared for emergencies or problems that may arise while on duty.
4. To help the officer be prepared as much as possible for the unexpected.