ProtectUK

Suspicious Items

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If you have identified an unattended item as suspicious then you should follow a series of specific actions.

Those dealing with suspicious items should apply the 4Cs protocol:

CONFIRM: Whether or not the item has suspicious characteristics. The HOT protocol may assist with this.

CLEAR: The immediate area.

COMMUNICATE: Call 999.

CONTROL: Access to the cordoned area.

You should consult ProtectUK for further guidance on unattended items or items found to be suspicious.