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# Homeland Security Advisory System Recommendations

## Family

<u>Risk of Attack</u>	<u>Recommended Actions</u>
<b>SEVERE</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Complete recommended actions at lower levels</i></li> <li>• Listen to radio/TV for current information/instructions</li> <li>• Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities immediately</li> <li>• Contact business/school to determine status of work/school day</li> <li>• Adhere to any travel restrictions announced by local governmental authorities</li> <li>• Be prepared to shelter in place or evacuate if instructed to do so by local governmental authorities</li> <li>• Discuss children's fears concerning possible/actual terrorist attacks</li> </ul>
<b>HIGH</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Complete recommended actions at lower levels</i></li> <li>• Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities</li> <li>• Review disaster plan with all family members</li> <li>• Ensure communication plan is understood/practiced by all family members</li> <li>• Exercise caution when traveling</li> <li>• Have shelter in place materials on hand, and review procedure in <u>Terrorism: Preparing for the Unexpected</u> brochure</li> <li>• Discuss children's fears concerning possible terrorist attacks</li> <li>• If a need is announced, donate blood at designated blood collection center</li> </ul>
<b>ELEVATED</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Complete recommended actions at lower levels</i></li> <li>• Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities</li> <li>• Ensure disaster supplies kit is stocked and ready</li> <li>• Check telephone numbers and e-mail addresses in your family emergency communication plan and update as necessary</li> <li>• If not known to you, contact school to determine their emergency notification and evacuation plans for children</li> <li>• Develop alternate routes to/from school/work and practice them</li> </ul>
<b>GUARDED</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Complete recommended actions at lower level</i></li> <li>• Be alert to suspicious activity and report it to proper authorities</li> <li>• Review stored disaster supplies and replace items that are outdated</li> <li>• Develop an emergency communication plan that all family members understand</li> <li>• Establish an alternate meeting place away from home with family/friends</li> </ul>
<b>LOW</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Obtain copy of <u>Terrorism: Preparing for the Unexpected</u> brochure from your local Red Cross chapter</li> <li>• Develop a personal disaster plan and disaster supplies kit using Red Cross brochures <u>Your Family Disaster Plan</u> and <u>Your Family Disaster Supplies Kit</u></li> </ul>

**Your local American Red Cross chapter has materials available to assist you in developing preparedness capabilities.**