

The threat to the UK from international terrorism



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What you need to know

The UK threat level from international terrorism has been raised by the independent [Joint Terrorism Analysis Centre](#) to the highest level – CRITICAL. This means an attack may be imminent.

The change was made following the attack in Manchester. While we believe there was only one attacker at the scene, we cannot rule out that he was not working alone. The rise in the threat level means the public will see an increased police presence on the streets across the UK. Other security measures in crowded places, transport hubs and iconic sites may be stepped up. Don't be alarmed – we are doing everything possible to confront the threat and protect the public.

Police and military working together

There is a long standing plan that enables police to call upon the military to help boost the country's security. Operation Temperer allows military personnel to carry out armed guarding duties, freeing up armed police officers to be deployed around the country.

Therefore the public might see military personnel at key sites, in addition to extra armed officers patrolling. Key sites could be important buildings, entertainment venues or sports stadia. All military personnel will be working under the command of the police. If you see them, it does not mean there is a specific threat to that site.

What can you do to help

Please remain calm but vigilant at all times. If anything gives you cause for concern, call police. Do not rely on someone else – [ACT](#)

Call the police, in confidence, on **0800 789 321**. In an emergency, always call **999**.

Please take a moment to watch [this video](#). If you are caught up in an attack, it could save your life. Share the link with your friends.

Follow official police Twitter accounts and [@PoliceChiefs](#) or [@TerrorismPolice](#) for accurate updates and developments.

If you run a business or event in a crowded place, visit the [National Counter Terrorism Security Office](#) website for the latest advice.

Please give police and other security personnel your full cooperation. They are working to protect you.

If you have any concerns about issues that may relate to hate crime, contact police on 101 or visit the [Tell MAMA](#) website for more advice.

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