SAFETY DIRECTOR BULLETIN



According to recent news articles and incidents that have been reported in several state capitols across the country, bomb threats are on the rise. This is a good time to review your policies and procedures and to conduct a tabletop exercise at your upcoming safety meeting. Discuss your current policy, determine if updates or changes need to be implemented, and conduct training events to ensure your personnel understand their role if a threat should occur.

There are several resources online that can assist our members with this task:

1. To gain insight into how to plan for, assess, and respond to bomb threats at your facility, please review Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency – Bomb Threats

This site features videos on:

- CISA's Critical Resources for Handling Bomb Threats
- What to Do: Bomb Threat
- What to Do: Bomb Searches
- 2. Administrators and decision-makers may be interested in taking an online course that will introduce participants to types of threats, the threat assessment process, and the implementation of a bomb threat management plan.

You can register for this course at Bomb Threat Assessment for Decision Makers Course (AWR-945).

- **3.** Additional DHS information:
  - <u>Bomb Threat Checklists</u> provides instructions on responding to a bomb threat and a comprehensive list of information that will assist law enforcement in a bomb threat investigation.
  - <u>Bomb Threat Guide</u> provides awareness and guidance in preparing for and reacting to a bomb threat. It assists decision-makers with an assessment of received bomb threats, providing response guidance to save lives and protect critical infrastructure.
- 4. Additional training videos can be viewed by your personnel to assist with training and preparing for a bomb threat. <u>What To Do Bomb Threat Video</u> is approximately five minutes long and discusses what to do if a bomb threat should occur at your facility.