



# AVOID

If you know the location of the assailant and there appears to be a safe route immediately available, then proceed quickly and safely away. If you decide to evacuate, do not spend time convincing others. Encourage them, if necessary, but keep moving. Do not attempt to remove injured persons. Leave your belongings behind, you will be able to retrieve those items at a later time. Follow the instructions of any first responders on the scene as you exit.

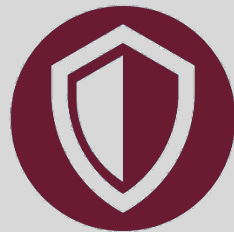
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# DENY

If you decide not to run or evacuation is not feasible or unsafe. Deny entry to the assailant to your location. Lock doors, place heavy items between you and the doorway. (Desks, wardrobes, stacking tables, etc.) The goal is to make it difficult or impossible for an assailant to gain entry to your location. If you choose to deny your location to an assailant, try to leave multiple exit options such as windows or alternate doors available to avoid cornering yourself.

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# DEFEND

If running or denying entry are no longer options, you should prepare yourself to fight back. This is dangerous but, depending on your situation, this could be your only option. If you find yourself in this situation, act with extreme aggression. Take objects around you to utilize as improvised weapons. If your only option is to fight, commit to taking the assailant down. Do not fight fair.