



Mob Violence Escape & Evasion

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We All Live With The Threat Of Mob Violence

The threat of highly coordinated "flash mobs" is very real. It takes almost nothing for a riot to develop. Even small things that might not seem like much could be the match that touches off tensions just waiting to explode.

Preventing Contact With Mob Violence

You can't avoid every "flash mob," but there are some strategies you can apply. Mob violence can develop VERY quickly, before you realize what is happening. Crowds in general — ANY crowd, such as when fire breaks out — have a nature all their own. They are VOLATILE.

- Stay aware of what's going on in the news, especially politically.
- Be aware of what is around you, not just where you live but where you work. Are you in vicinity to a place where violence can break out?
- Know alternate routes. Use apps, including traffic apps, to avoid congestion (especially if it coincides with targeted locations).

Vehicle E&E Mistakes

Vehicles grant a false sense of security.

- Don't wait too long to react.
- Drive defensively at all times. Don't be afraid to drive on "unconventional" surfaces (like sidewalks, curbs, shoulders, etc.).
- If you are boxed in and you can't move, you may be safer leaving it and moving on foot. You may be able to blend in with the crowd, who will treat your vehicle as a target.

When Your Vehicle Is Mobbed

Like moths to flame, a crowd will turn on your vehicle to damage it, endangering your family.

- Use defensive driving to prevent being mobbed if you can.
- If you can't prevent it, running people over is lethal force. You may or may not be justified to do this.
- Move slowly and PUSH them. This prevents killing them and prevents damage to the car.
- If you do hit someone, you must evaluate if it is safe enough to get out and help... or if you don't dare leave the vehicle.

Escape & Evasion Equipment

Consider long-term storage. You can keep weapons and tools in your vehicle.

- Anything OC-related might be a hazard when left in the vehicle.
- Something non-lethal to repel "reaching hands" trying to claw you in the vehicle is potentially a good choice.
- Firearms are an obvious one, but it's a tricky situation. The law still applies in mobs!

The Do-Or-Die Scenario

If you are justified in using deadly force...

- The mob is not the ONLY concern. Molotovs are your biggest threat.
- A mob can disarm you VERY easily.
- If you can move, move. If you can't, shooting through the glass to make an opening is your only chance. Rely on violence of action.
- Do whatever you can to avoid this!

Prepare. Train. Survive.