



5 Urban Riot Vehicle Defense Tips

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1. Run-Flat Tires

Violent protesters can slash or shoot your tires, and your vehicle is your best transport to safety.

- You never want to leave your vehicle if you can help it.
- These are also great for evacuating in a natural disaster, as debris and even fire can render your tires useless, leaving you trapped.
- Obviously, these are more expensive than "normal" tires.

2. Window Security Shield

This window film is used mostly for smash and grab carjacking security.

- 30% of all cars already come with laminated windows.
- Protesters like to throw things at cars; a brick through your window can leave you and your family exposed to other thrown objects.
- Broken windows can also enable the mob to pull you from the vehicle.
- Adding this type of film can make it harder for you to break free if, in an accident, you needed to exit through the window.
- A compromise might be to install the film on your driver and passenger windows, leaving the rear windows alone so you can use those to escape in a (non-riot) emergency.

3. Sun Roof (Yes, A Sun Roof)

When choosing a car, you might actually want to choose a vehicle that has a sun roof, for TACTICAL reasons.

- Rolling down your windows or shooting through them in a life-or-death situation might become necessary to defend yourself from violent actors around the vehicle.
- You can open your sun roof a little to use weapons from within the vehicle. Just remember that if you're shooting out of a car, you are responsible for EVERY bullet.
- A passenger can act as gunner from the sun roof position, too.
- Fire extinguishers are one "less lethal" smokescreen option.

4. Handheld Spotlight

These powerful "mega flashlights" can blind and disorient attackers in low light.

- I have a 9,000 lumen rechargeable one.
- People tend to freeze like jack-lighted deer when you light them up with this.
- People who can't see you clearly can't accurately aim at you.
- I have personally used this method when dealing with violent gangs in New Mexico.

5. "Baby On Board" Signs (Really)

Peel and stick decals like "Baby In Car" are useful, and the larger and more cartoon-like, the better. Go with reflective ones if possible.

- Protesters MAY be less likely to throw a rock through your window, or stop your car, if they think there's an innocent baby on board.
- Remember, however, that you can't count on any kind of humanity or mercy from a mob of people. It's one of those things that MIGHT work, but might not.

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