First Responder Suicide Risk Screening Tool

A: Ask if the individual is thinking about suicide

Intervene immediately. Listen and let the person know they are not alone.

D: Don't keep their suicidal thoughts a secret. Seek assistance

L: Locate help. This can include a supervisor, chaplain, or member of their support network.

1: Inform the Chain of Command. This helps get important resources like counseling in place.

F: Find someone to stay with the individual.

E: Expedite. Get help now, rather than delaying it.

Columbia Suicide Severity Rating Scale (C-SSRS)	Past Month
Have you wished you were dead or wished you could go to sleep and not wake up?	
Have you actually had any thoughts about killing yourself?	
If YES to 2, answer questions 3,4,5 and 6 If NO to 2, go directly to question 6	
3) Have you thought about how you might do this?	
4) Have you had any intention of acting on these thoughts of killing yourself, as opposed to you have the thoughts but you definitely would not carry out this plan?	High Risk
5) Have you started to work out or worked out the details of how to kill yourself? Do you intend to carry out this plan?	High Risk
Always Ask Question 6	
6) Have you done anything, started to do anything, or prepared to do anything to end your life? Examples: Collected pills, obtained a gun but changed your mind, cut yourself, tried to hang yourself, etc.	High Risk

Any YES indicates the need for further care (see reverse for resources). However, if the answer to 4, 5 or 6 is **YES**, immediately

ESCORT to Emergency Personnel for care, call 1-800-273-8255, text 741-741.









Crisis Resources:

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline:

Call **1.800.273.8255**

Chat https://suicidepreventionlifeline.org/chat/

Crisis Text Line:

Text **"Blue"** (for law enforcement officers) to **741-741** to connect 24/7 with a trained crisis counselor

Anyone can text "HELP" to 741-741 to be connected to crisis services

Crisis Support for First Responders:

SAFE Call Now.

Call 206.459.3020

www.safecallnowusa.org/

A 24-hour crisis referral service for all public safety employees.

Copline:

Call 800.267.5463

www.copline.org

24/7 crisis line staffed by retired law enforcement officers.

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