



Methamphetamine In The Forests:



Safety and Awareness Training

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From everything we have seen in this presentation, it is clear that meth is **something to stay away from**. Your first responsibility is to **keep yourself safe**. The best way to do that is to back out of situations that may be connected to meth labs, dumps, or meth use. **Call for help** from the nearest law enforcement officer, note the location, and leave everything alone. Law enforcement and hazmat personnel need to deal with all meth-related incidents.





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- Some specifics
 - Do not remain in the area of a lab or dump site
 - Never handle unknown substances or equipment
 - Do not turn off or on any power sources, such as generators or propane tanks
 - Do not handle any containers that have active chemical reactions
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Coordinate cleaning through LEO and forest engineers or the OSC/Hazmat Coordinator.





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Disturbing a heat source like an open flame can release toxic fumes or cause an explosion.





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Preferably a 7-10 foot radius. Once a person has been identified as a potential tweaker, law enforcement officers should be called in.



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A tweaker already hears sounds at a fast pace and in a high pitch, and the side effect of the drug is a constant electrical buzzing sound in the background.



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Since the tweakers are already paranoid, if they cannot see your hands they may feel threatened and could become violent.



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