

WARRANT RISK ASSESSMENT MATRIX

FAIRFAX COUNTY POLICE DEPARTMENT

This Warrant Risk Assessment Matrix **shall be completed for all search warrants**. It is intended to serve as a guide in determining resources necessary to minimize the risk of the Search Warrant service and to provoke consideration of issues relating to the safety of officers and the community. The Tactical Analysis Worksheet shall be completed for all Search Warrants where SOD consultation is required, or where completion is mandated by a supervisor/commander. A commander may waive SOD consultation if the search location has been secured and threat factors mitigated.

If any ONE (1) of the risk factors in this section is present, the SOD Commander/Assistant Commander MUST be consulted PRIOR to the attempted service of the warrant. CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.

- If the warrant involves any felony drug or vice related case, the OCN Commander must be contacted prior to any attempted service. If an OCN warrant, the OCN Commander or designee will evaluate the warrant service.
- Any subject believed to be present at the warrant location who has a previous arrest for using a firearm during the commission of a crime, or is known to illegally carry a firearm, or has a history of violent crime involving weapons, or any offense involving an explosive device, or threats to use fire as a weapon.
- Any subject believed to be present at the warrant location who has confirmed access to body armor, armor defeating ammunition, or full auto weapon systems.
- Any subject believed to be present at the warrant location who has outstanding warrants or probable cause for arrest for Homicide, any Violent Sexual Offense involving a weapon, Armed Robbery or Abduction while armed.
- Any subject believed to be present at the warrant location who has made verified threats to harm law enforcement, including threats of suicide by cop.
- Any subject believed to be present at the warrant location with known ties to terrorism or violent extremism.
- The warrant location has armed counter surveillance, booby traps, or clandestine labs.
- The warrant location is fortified or entry requires special breaching tools.

If TWO (2) or more of the following risk factors in this section are present, the SOD Commander/Assistant Commander MUST be consulted PRIOR to the attempted service of the warrant. CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.

- There is intelligence of firearms at the warrant location (CCW, I/LEADS, Officer Intel, etc.): _____
- Any subject believed to be present at the warrant location who has a history of assaulting public safety personnel, resisting arrest, or are known police fighters: _____
- Any subject believed to be present at the warrant location who has criminal gang affiliations: _____
- Subject of warrant is a drug user or alcohol abuser or mentally unstable: _____
- Subject of the warrant has formal weapons/tactics training: _____
- Subject of the warrant is on Probation or Parole: _____
- The structure is large/multi-leveled and beyond the capability of the requesting unit to secure: _____
- Multiple subjects on site who will be arrested for felonies: _____
- Counter surveillance or monitoring devices are utilized (lookouts, cameras, etc.): _____
- Intelligence that vicious animals (guard dogs) are utilized to secure the site: _____

The consulted SOD commander shall either defer to the commander requesting the warrant service based on their assessment of the situation/facts/capabilities of the requesting unit or authorize SWAT based on analysis.

- SOD consult not required - R&D at third party compliant site, evidence in police custody, DNA confined party, etc.

Matrix Completed by: _____ EIN: _____ Division/Squad: _____ Date: _____

Case #: _____ Crime/Event Type: _____

Evidence Sought: _____

Approving Supervisor: _____ EIN: _____ Approving Commander: _____ EIN: _____

SOD Commander Consulted: YES NO SOD Commander: _____ EIN: _____

If consulted, SOD Commander Determination: SOD Other Entity Unit Assigned: _____

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