**Security guard patrol check sheet by SIRV –**

**Detect, deny, deter outsider threat**

A security patrol will tackle outsider threat by hostile actors in three ways.

> Deter:

* [Hostile reconnaissance](https://getsirv.com/2022/09/hostile-reconnaissance-terrorist-attack/) by wearing high profile clothing. Also, the guard will appear alert and vigilant.

> Detect suspicious:

* Technology on or near site. For example, drones or remote controlled cameras.
* People found watching, listening and recording site security and safety measures. For example, in an urban setting a person may sit in a local cafe and take pictures or videos of site security.
* Vehicles found in and around a location.

> Deny hostile actors:

* By reporting them to security services.
* By speaking with them and challenging their intentions. Also, if in-line with the law, they will remove hostile actors from site.

Speaking with a person suspected of hostile reconnaissance is enough to deter an attack. Because the person will fear they are identified they will therefore select another target for their attack. A person doing hostile reconnaissance is likely to feel anxious. Therefore, their body language will provide ‘tells’, signs of their state of mind. For further guidance on spotting [hostile reconnaissance see the UK government advice](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/crowded-places-guidance/hostile-reconnaissance).