4-04/080.00 Spectator Control

It is very difficult to determine the relationship of spectators to an incident. They may be victims, relatives, defendants, or witnesses. They may become extremely emotional, vocal, or violent during the course of an event. They may be part of an attempt for social upheaval (riot) or an escape plan.

Spectators should be controlled or directed away from an incident or situation to prevent further problems from arising.