



# FBI- Private Sector Advisory

**Fireworks  
Threat Awareness**

These products are commonly used as bomb-making materials. Industry members should familiarize themselves with these behaviors that may indicate intent for unlawful use and to report suspicious activity.

## Potentially Suspicious Customer Activity:

- Insisting on paying cash or using another person's credit card
- Unwilling or reluctant to produce a valid I.D.
- Acting nervous, being evasive, or hiding from security cameras
- Inquiring about odd bulk or large purchases
- Making unusual or bulk purchases in off-peak periods
- Making statements regarding illegal or misuse of your product
- Showing abnormal interest in the explosive power of the product
- Expressing interest in removing explosive powder from the product
- Buying similar products from multiple vendors/suppliers



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## WHAT CAN YOU DO?

### Follow these simple steps:

- Ask questions, listen to their responses, and observe their behavior
- Know your customers and report suspicious activity
- Ask for customer I.D. and maintain a log of unusual purchases
- Keep track of inventory and report missing or stolen products
- Notify your local FBI WMD Coordinator of any suspicious activities

**If something does not seem right, notify law enforcement immediately**

*Businesses can become unwitting participants in illicit or terrorist activities. Be aware of unusual or suspicious purchases or usage of your products and services.*



Local Police: \_\_\_\_\_

Local FBI Office: \_\_\_\_\_

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Each indicator is by itself lawful conduct or behavior and may constitute the exercise of rights guaranteed by the US Constitution. In addition there may be a wholly innocent explanation for conduct or behavior that appears suspicious in nature. For this reason no single indicator should be the sole basis for law enforcement action. The totality of behavioral indicators and other relevant circumstances should be evaluated when considering any law enforcement response or action.