

# Operational planning

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The powers and policies available to help resolve an incident or operation should be considered at all times when developing force strategies, operational plans and tactical options. These may include the specific legal powers that police officers have, or policies agreed at a local, regional or national level. Selecting the appropriate powers and policies enables a strategy to be developed that addresses the threat in a proportionate manner and ensures accountability by demonstrating the decision-making rationale behind the strategy.

The incident may be part of a wider multi-agency response and have far reaching consequences, in which case partners will follow the [Joint Emergency Service Interoperability Principles \(JESIP\)](#).