

# On-the-ground coordination

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Ideally you will have assigned someone to this role during the planning stage. They coordinate activities and make decisions during the action in liaison with other roles. They make sure things go to plan or decide when the plan needs to change and what contingencies (plan B, C, D) you are switching to. They should be prepared for logistical issues on the day and be ready to adapt plans as needed.

- To help with coordinating resources, it's a good idea to make sure relevant people are connected by chats specifically to be used on the day. This ensures everyone who needs to be in communication is connected and no one misses any key information. For spicy actions, these should always be on Signal.
- It's a good idea for this person and other key roles to have a power pack to make sure they don't struggle with a dying phone.
- You may want to establish signals or communication methods for decision-making in noisy or chaotic environments.
- Ensure key parts of the plan have someone responsible for making them happen. Have a few people in support who are available to do tasks as they are needed.

## Exit Strategy

Plan an exit strategy before the action starts to ensure a decisive and controlled conclusion. This may need to be decided by those taking the most risk or who are putting themselves in difficult or uncomfortable circumstances.

You may also do this with advice from your Protest Liaison if there is any negotiation with the Police, security or authorities.

Avoid a gradual decline in momentum by leaving on your own terms.

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