



## Chemical Suicide Response Guide for 9-1-1 Dispatchers

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The first step to preventing injury or death in response to a chemical suicide is awareness. An incident is considered a chemical suicide when an individual mixes common household chemicals that contain a hydrochloric acid base combined with lime sulfur compound. Both products are easy to purchase at any hardware or grocery store. These incidents typically occur in vehicles, closets, bathrooms, or other small confined spaces where the concentration of gas can quickly accumulate to lethal levels.

The purpose of this presentation is to provide 911 call takers and dispatchers with a guideline for identifying key components of a chemical suicide.

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