

Workshop Tasks

- Group 1 – Based on your reading throughout this course, explain and illustrate the myth of looting behavior.
- Group 2 – According to Hooper (1995), what types of similarities occurred between the 1980 Miami riot and the 1992 civil disturbance in Los Angeles?
- Group 3 – According to Hooper (1995), what is the relationship between community policing and civil disorder?”
- Group 4 – Why is an understanding of looting behavior important to emergency managers?

Differences in Looting Behavior: Natural Disasters vs. Civil Disorder Events

	Civil Disturbances	Natural Disasters
Scope	Widespread	Few
Looters	Groups	Individuals
Publicness	Open	Secretive

Source: Adapted from Quarantelli, E.L. and Russell R. Dynes. 1970. "Property Norms and Looting: Their Patterns in Community Crisis." *Phylon* 31:168-182.

Social Factors That Constrain Looting Behavior

- Degree of Societal Stratification
- Normalcy of Petty Theft
- Continuity of Social Control by Legitimate Authority

Source: Adapted from Quarantelli, E.L. 1994. "A Disaster Research Agenda For the Future: Theoretical, Empirical and Methodological Issues." Paper presented at the XIIIth World Congress of Sociology, Bielefeld, Germany, July.

Community Policing and Civil Disorder

- Encourage a presumption of goodwill
- Provide mutual accountability
- Obtain a “pulse” on the level of community tension

Source: Adapted from Hooper, Michael. 1995. “The Value of Community Policing in Preventing Civil Disorder.” *The Network* 13:33-37, p. 35.

Riot Similarities

- Reservoir of Grievances
- Precipitating Incident
- Death Toll
- Property Damage
- Duration
- Timeline

Source: Adapted from Hooper, Michael, 1995. "The Values of Community Policing in Preventing Civil Disorder." *The Network* 13:33-37, p. 34.

Principles of Crowd Management

- Dispel Myths
- Crowds Are Not Anonymous
- Crowds Can Be Good
- Adopt Community Policing

Why Emergency Managers Must Understand Looting Behavior

- Debunk Mythology
- Policy Guidance
- Recognize Event Differences
- Know When Looting Is Most Likely To Occur
- Use Emergent Norm Theory
- Community Policing
- Crowd Management
- Linkages to Social Problems