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You don't need a standing army to fight an empire.

You need a network. A disguise. A purpose. And the nerve to haunt their systems.

The **Guerrilla Tactics Toolkit** is a doctrine of disruption. It's trans-led, trauma-aware, strategically sharp, and grounded in resistance histories from the Viet Cong to the Black Panthers, from Rojava to NoDAPL. This guide offers tactical insight and operational frameworks for fighting asymmetrically, urban or rural, symbolic or surgical, always strategic.

This is not a guide to aggression. It's a manual of **survival, sabotage, and subversion**, rooted in ethics, community defense, and tactical adaptability. It honors historic resistance, from the Panthers to the Zapatistas, and maps their tactics into the terrain of drones, predictive policing, and corporate surveillance.

Inside you'll learn:

- Tier 1–3 tactics: low-risk sabotage to high-risk infrastructure disruption
- Urban ops: rooftop movement, decoy mobs, underground transit, mesh nets
- Rural ops: anti-drone flares, scent-masked camps, thermal cloaking
- Guerrilla cell models: Clovers, Ghost Cells, Mimic Cells, Tech Pods
- Psychological warfare: memes, murals, misinformation, and symbolic zone-making
- Escape and defense: faraday bags, decoy trails, interrogation resistance, caches
- Ethical codes: harm reduction, de-escalation, anti-clout protocol

This isn't insurgency for spectacle. It's insurgency for survival.

⚠️ Why Guerrilla Tactics?

Guerrilla warfare is not just armed rebellion, it is *asymmetrical resistance*. In the United States of 2025, where open fascism, surveillance, and state repression dominate, guerrilla tactics allow small, agile, decentralized groups to resist and destabilize without matching the state's resources.

This guide outlines guerrilla warfare strategies adapted for urban, suburban, and rural environments within the unique context of modern U.S. power structures.

Principles of Guerrilla Warfare

Guerrilla warfare is not just a military tactic. It is a philosophy of liberation, a method of survival, and a blueprint for asymmetric struggle. Rooted in the refusal to accept domination, guerrilla warfare prioritizes mobility, intelligence, and people power over brute force and hierarchy.

It is the resistance of the outnumbered, the colonized, the hunted. It is the insurgency of those who will not wait for justice to be granted.

Where traditional warfare demands armies, tanks, and command chains, guerrilla warfare thrives in the shadows, in the ruins, in the cracks of empire. It doesn't ask for permission, it moves. It doesn't hold land, it *holds the line*. It doesn't occupy buildings, it occupies minds, disrupts logistics, and cultivates parallel life systems.

Core Concepts

- **Mobility > Firepower**

Move fast. Strike precisely. Disappear faster. Mobility doesn't just mean physical relocation, it means psychological unpredictability, digital evasiveness, and strategic timing. You don't need to overpower the enemy; you need to outmaneuver them.

- **Hit, Don't Hold**

Guerrilla tactics are not about capturing and holding ground. They are about **disruption, disorientation, and demoralization**. Ambushes, sabotage, and subversion have more power than occupation. The point isn't territory, it's collapse.

- **Decentralization**

Cells operate independently but are guided by shared ethics, shared vision, and rapid communication. If one node is compromised, the network survives. Decentralization is anti-fragility in action.

- **Civilian Protection**

True guerrilla struggle does not target noncombatants. It *protects* them. Guerrilla fighters often arise from civilian populations, so the line between defense and offense is drawn with immense care. Shield the people, always.

- **Dual Power Building**

Disruption is half the equation. The other half is creation. Guerrilla movements build clinics, schools, food networks, digital infrastructure, and trauma-informed care. These parallel systems give people something to live for, not just fight for.



Historical and Contemporary Influences on Guerrilla Practice

Understanding guerrilla tactics requires studying those who have done it, successfully, ethically, and under unimaginable pressure. These movements didn't just resist power. They reshaped what power meant.

VN Vietnam's National Liberation Front (NLF)

The NLF, often referred to as the Viet Cong, demonstrated how indigenous knowledge, tactical patience, and popular support could defeat a superpower. They:

- Mastered jungle mobility with complex tunnel networks, underground hospitals, and trap systems.
- Integrated seamlessly with local populations, making it nearly impossible to distinguish fighters from civilians.
- Focused on exhausting the U.S. military logistically and psychologically through hit-and-run tactics, misinformation, and deep terrain familiarity.

Their lesson: **terrain, culture, and morale can break machines.**

Black Panther Party Survival Programs

Operating in the heart of the U.S. empire, the BPP redefined resistance through direct service and armed dignity. They:

- Launched over 60 survival programs, including free breakfast, sickle cell testing, and community clinics.
- Practiced armed self-defense while creating political education curricula.
- Exposed the violence of the state through community patrols, media messaging, and courtroom advocacy.

Their strategy showed: **Liberation is a survival infrastructure. Feed people. Heal people. Defend people.**

Zapatista Autonomy in Chiapas

The EZLN combined Indigenous tradition with global digital solidarity. They:

- Built autonomous governance, horizontal decision-making, and gender equity in communities long denied sovereignty.
- Used masked leaders, poetic communiques, and narrative disruption to win global sympathy.
- Defended territory without seeking conquest, blending land defense with cultural revitalization.

Their lesson: **Guerrilla resistance is not just militant, it can be poetic, slow, and deeply communal.**



● Kurdish YPG/YPJ and Civilian Defense in Rojava

The Kurdish revolutionary model in Rojava represents one of the most advanced fusions of feminism, ecology, and direct democracy in a war zone. They:

- Formed gender-divided but cooperative defense forces to combat ISIS and Turkish incursion.
- Developed people's assemblies that handle justice, education, and public health.
- Practiced a form of stateless resistance with the explicit goal of dismantling patriarchy, not just occupation.

Their example proves: **Guerrilla resistance can build new worlds in the rubble of the old.**

🐦 NoDAPL and Stop Cop City Movements

These are the blueprints for decentralized, modern insurgency in settler-colonial states. They:

- Used lockdowns, tripods, and tree sits to physically block development.
- Maintained encrypted comms, indigenous ceremony, and mutual aid supply chains.
- Operated without centralized leadership, blending sacred fire with tactical disruption.

Their message: **Land defense is people defense. Ecology and resistance are inseparable.**

Each of these movements teaches us that guerrilla warfare is not a singular tactic, it's a constellation of strategies rooted in place, culture, and ethics. From the rice paddies of Vietnam to the pine forests of Atlanta, the logic remains:

Decentralize. Defend. Build. And never fight alone.

To wage guerrilla war is to believe that empires are not invincible, and to make that belief contagious.

Every act of care, sabotage, or refusal is a battle won.

Tactical Framework for Asymmetric Resistance

Guerrilla action is not chaos, it's choreography. It operates within strategic principles and tactical tiers that match risk with capacity. This framework is not a playbook but a palette: mix, adapt, localize. **The point is to maximize disruption while minimizing exposure.**

This framework offers a fluid model of insurgency, **not a rulebook, but a palette.** It helps groups and individuals calibrate action based on their risk, skill, context, and terrain. It recognizes that not every fighter is armed, not every action is loud, and not every victory needs to be seen.

You don't need to win every battle. You just need to *make governing impossible*.

Tier 1: Low-Visibility Resistance

These are high-impact, low-risk actions designed to subvert visibility, reclaim space, and jam state messaging without direct confrontation.

Examples:

- **Wheatpasting & Graffiti**

Paste radical art, QR codes for mutual aid, anti-fascist slogans, or counter-propaganda in transit zones, high-foot-traffic commercial corridors, and abandoned infrastructure. Wheatpaste is fast, silent, and easily replicable. Stencils add speed and visual repetition.

- **Projection Bombing**

Portable projectors cast high-lumen messages, videos, or alerts onto state or corporate buildings at night. Requires no physical alteration to structures. Can amplify unseen campaigns or call attention to hidden violence (e.g., ICE detention sites, Cop City construction zones).

- **Propaganda Disruption**

Strike the heart of cultural legitimacy by recontextualizing or erasing it. Red paint on colonial statues, sticker bombing cop billboards, transforming bus stop ads into subversive poetry. Subtle changes disorient and shift the viewer's emotional engagement with space.

- **Digital Sabotage**

- **Scanner Jamming** (where legal): Flood law enforcement or private security channels with static, misdirection, or noise.
- **GPS Spoofing**: Disrupt movement data or create fake congestion near targeted zones.
- **DDOS / Reporting Swarms**: Target surveillance tech companies, hate speech platforms, or tracking tools with denial-of-service tactics, user reporting floods, or misinformation counter-campaigns.

Strategic Objectives:

- **Undermine morale**: Make it clear that surveillance does not equal control.
- **Fracture narrative**: Replace the state's story with a plurality of counter-narratives.
- **Confuse infrastructure**: Blur data, choke bandwidth, distort images, and stretch decision-making.
- **Empower participation**: Tier 1 allows entry-level engagement in resistance, fostering confidence and experience.



Tier 2: Direct Disruption

Tier 2 operations are the next escalation in asymmetric resistance: **not quite open confrontation, but undeniably forceful**. These tactics focus on **infrastructure interference, mobility degradation, and strategic damage** to the logistical backbone of fascist systems. Unlike Tier 1, which is often symbolic or narrative-driven, Tier 2 is **operational**, **it slows them down**, reroutes their response, and burns time, money, and morale.

These actions involve **medium risk**: they require more planning, increased exposure, and potentially specialized knowledge. However, when executed with precision and discipline, they can be performed swiftly, anonymously, and without lasting trace.

Road Sabotage

Disrupting movement is one of the oldest guerrilla tactics. Roads, especially those leading to construction sites, police staging zones, or protest dispersal routes, are strategic chokepoints.

Examples:

- **Caltrops & Tire Spikes:** Deployable on roads before dawn or during heavy rain. Disables police, contractor, or developer vehicles with minimal noise.
- **False Detour Signage:** Diverts convoys, delivery trucks, or riot vans into empty zones or delay loops. Effective with reflective tape, caution signage, and believable placement.
- **Greased Overpasses or Curbs:** A thin, near-invisible layer of lubricant (e.g. vegetable oil, dish soap) on concrete surfaces used by vehicles or riot police. Inhibits movement, creates delay, and introduces risk to unsteady formations.

Tactical Advice: Always surveil target area in advance. Use gloves. Leave no tools behind. Time interventions with known schedules or construction shifts.

Infrastructure Targeting

The fascist state depends on predictable flows: electricity, water, surveillance, logistics. Interrupting even small parts of that flow has outsized effects.

Examples:

- **Camera Disabling:** Use high-lumen laser pointers, directed paint balloons, or mirrors to overwhelm surveillance optics. Build blind spot maps for routine maintenance zones.
- **Node Overloads:** Trigger minor grid failures by timing electrical surges, flipping switches en masse, or drawing current through multiple loads. *Caution: Advanced knowledge needed.*
- **Vent & Pipe Blockages:** Cement powder, expanding foam, or construction debris inserted into utility inlets of surveillance towers, kiosks, or state-sponsored construction booths. Delay restoration timelines and raise contractor costs.

Ethical Reminder: Avoid critical infrastructure (hospitals, public housing, emergency services). Target only symbolic or strategic arms of repression.

"Night Raids"

Covert, low-profile strikes against static targets. These are **symbolic, demoralizing, and effective** when done without detection. Often used to build momentum or respond to escalating threats.

Examples:

- **Empty Vehicle Disablement:** Slash tires, sugar gas tanks, or use paint to obscure windows of parked cop cars, corporate trucks, or surveillance vans.
- **Fence Cuts & Lock Disruptions:** Bolt cutters, chain removers, or freezing then shattering lock mechanisms on public land barricades.
- **Depot Disarmament:** Quietly disable tear gas canisters, smash batons, or sabotage shield stacks in staging warehouses or unguarded riot control supply depots.

Rationale: These actions not only cost money and time to recover from, they force bureaucratic review, fear-based policy tightening, and long delays.

Objectives of Tier 2 Tactics:

- **Delay Deployment:** Make it harder, slower, or riskier for them to move.
- **Deny Access:** Cut off their ability to exploit land, control space, or surveil communities.
- **Demoralize:** Hit their symbols. Hurt their image. Remind them that their tools are vulnerable.
- **Drain Resources:** Every broken window or cut cable costs them far more than it costs us.

Tier 2 is about **tactical sabotage without spectacle**, a surgical interruption that leaves no banner behind, no claim of responsibility, just a fractured system struggling to recalibrate. These are the kinds of actions that don't trend online but do echo in the panic rooms of power.

It's the quiet knife in their tire, the wrench in their plans, the ink in their sensors, the silence in their radio. It is the elevator that doesn't come, the drone that can't launch, the convoy that stalls while the night closes in.

It's the moment the system realizes it's not untouchable. It's the moment they feel fear, not from crowds or chants, but from the knowledge that resistance has mapped their routines, clocked their weak points, and knows *exactly* how to make the gears stutter.

It is the whispered certainty that *the land is watching*, and it's not alone.

Tier 3: High-Risk Guerrilla Operations

These operations carry **extreme legal and physical consequences** and should only be carried out by experienced, trained, and disciplined crews with escape plans and ethical clarity. These are not symbolic acts, they are **infrastructure warfare** and must be treated with solemnity.

Examples:

- **Vehicle disabling:**
 - Immobilizing riot vans or bulldozers by targeting tires, engines, or brake lines (only when unoccupied).
 - Sand in fuel tanks, sugar in engines, strategic punctures to gas lines.
- **Equipment sabotage:**
 - Dismantling or burning construction equipment used in fascist developments: Cop City bulldozers, ICE mobile units, border wall contractors.
 - Destroying surveillance drones or disabling communication repeaters used in protest suppression.
- **Blackout tactics:**
 - Strategic targeting of substations or fiber optic relays tied to surveillance hubs, facial recognition centers, or fusion centers.
 - Must **explicitly avoid** affecting hospitals, housing blocks, or life-sustaining infrastructure.

Objectives: Cripple the ability to surveil, mobilize, or construct state power. Every minute they spend fixing broken gear is a minute they're not attacking the people.

Ethics & Escalation

- **No heroes. No martyrs. No reckless escalation.** Every action must be evaluated against local context, risk to civilians, and community need.
- **Always prioritize harm reduction.** A single destroyed drone is not worth a single lost life.
- **Respect terrain intelligence.** Locals know best where to move, where to strike, and where to vanish.
- **Coordinate across tiers.** Tier 1 distractions can mask Tier 2 disruptions. Tier 2 damage can be covered by Tier 1 visibility work. Use this tactically.

We don't need overwhelming force. We need overwhelming coordination. We don't need full-scale revolution. We need **irregular, constant, localized revolt**.

Because when we refuse to let them operate normally, **we win by default**.



✿ Cell Formations: The Nerve System of Guerrilla Resistance

Guerrilla strategy thrives not through top-down chains of command, but through distributed, adaptive, autonomous formations. These units "cells" are the organs of an underground body in motion. Each acts on its own, but all breathe from the same purpose: to erode control, disrupt empire, and protect the people.

Cells do not seek glory. They seek results. And the most effective formations operate with stealth, discipline, and deep mutual trust.

Here are three core types of cell structures that have emerged in modern resistance:

✦ Clovers

Tactical Description:

Three to four small pods (typically 2-4 people per pod) acting on a single target or site, but from *multiple synchronized angles*. Named for their resemblance to a clover leaf: decentralized but connected at a common point.

Use Cases:

- Sabotaging a surveillance tower while one pod handles the blind spot, another distracts, and another extracts.
- Coordinated defacements of a site to make the response fragmented and overwhelmed.
- Protest disruption support: one pod medic, one pod recon, one pod tech jamming.

Advantages:

- Compartmentalization prevents mass arrests or rollups.
- Multipoint action increases psychological pressure on targets.
- Can be scaled up or down depending on site size.

Notes:

Clover cells require pre-agreed timing, codewords, fallback routes, and a *shared mission logic*. They thrive with prior trust, but work even better with clean identities between pods. Each leaf of the clover is sovereign, but they pulse in sync.

Ghost Cells

Tactical Description:

Independent units that operate with *no digital trace, no social media claims, and no organizational link*. Ghost cells do not announce themselves. Their actions appear as sudden disappearances, mysterious failures, unclaimed strikes.

Use Cases:

- Destroying surveillance hardware or fascist equipment without any ideological footprint.
- Quietly ferrying high-risk individuals across territory or borders.
- Conducting unspectacular but essential sabotage (cutting power to construction sites, damaging data cables, draining fuel tanks).

Advantages:

- Impossible to trace.
- Immune to infiltration and clout-chasing.
- Difficult to predict or respond to.

Notes:

Ghost cells are the spine of long-term insurgency. They don't need recognition. They need cover, discretion, and **patience**. They often consist of individuals with no digital footprint, no political public persona, and total operational silence.

Mimic Cells

Tactical Description:

Cells that **adopt the language, visuals, or behavior of fascist or state actors** for the purposes of infiltration, redirection, confusion, or information extraction.

Use Cases:

- Feeding false information into far-right networks.
- Mimicking corporate or state emails or signage to delay construction or redirect attention.
- Impersonating internal actors to gain access to restricted digital forums.

Advantages:

- Can dramatically delay or confuse fascist coordination.
- Effective in psychological operations or media sabotage.
- Creates distrust inside enemy movements.



Notes & Boundaries:

Mimicry is powerful but **must never cross into false flag attacks or anything that could endanger civilians or vulnerable populations.** We mimic power to *fracture it*, not to replicate its violence. This is a mirror used as a weapon, not a mask for cruelty.

Additional Cell Types (for advanced operations):

- **Medic Cells:** Specialize in evacuation, trauma response, and nervous system care in chaotic or violent environments.
- **Tech Cells:** Handle communications disruption, digital infiltration, signal boosting, and counter-surveillance.
- **Culture Cells:** Focus on counter-propaganda, meme warfare, visual disruption, and symbolic interventions.
- **Scout Cells:** Gather terrain intelligence, track fascist movement, and build detailed risk maps for other formations.

Remember: Cells are not exclusive clubs or subcultures. They are operational teams defined by purpose, clarity, and actionable objectives. What matters is not identity or affiliation, but measurable outcomes and principled tactics.

Cells evolve through iteration, not expansion.

If a structure becomes too large, decentralize. If a tactic draws too much attention, refine. If an approach stalls, reconfigure.

This is the logic of innovation, not just resistance. Many successful corporate, legal, and nonprofit entities already operate with decentralized teams and autonomous workflows. **Agile resistance borrows from these same principles: flexibility, focus, and mission cohesion.**

One sharp intervention can reroute a system. A thousand aligned efforts can reprogram it.



🌐 Urban & 🌲 Rural Tactics for Modern Guerrilla Movement

Every terrain has its own rhythm, its own set of threats and possibilities. Urban zones pulse with surveillance and density; rural zones breathe with isolation and raw environmental power. Effective resistance requires adapting to both. Below is a tactical field expansion on urban and rural guerrilla operations under contemporary conditions of surveillance, militarization, and digital monitoring.

🌐 Urban Tactics: Movement Under Surveillance

Modern cities are surveillance architectures disguised as convenience hubs. Cameras are everywhere. Drones fill the sky. Every step leaves a data trace. But cities also offer density, noise, and infrastructure which, when flipped, become our tools.

Key Practices:

- **Rooftop Navigation & Mesh Netting**

Moving above the eyeline of street-level surveillance reduces facial recognition exposure.

Rooftops offer both escape routes and alternate logistics corridors. Light mesh netting (camouflage or IR-scattering fabrics) can mask movement from drones using thermal optics.

Use Cases:

- Rooftop drops for mutual aid supplies.
- Signal relay setups for mesh WiFi across buildings.
- Drone blind-spots mapped and shared in closed channels.

- **Decoy Flash Mobs + Livestream Disruption**

Use choreographed flash mobs or fake protest gatherings to draw police resources to one location, while a separate, unrelated action occurs elsewhere. Coordinate with anti-surveillance protocols to scramble livestreams, audio feeds, or cellular triangulation.

Tools:

- Confetti bombs and strobe lights to overwhelm optics.
- Playback loops on Bluetooth speakers to simulate presence.
- Burner devices to create false data footprints.

- **Underground Rail Tactics**

Subterranean navigation through subway maintenance zones, storm drains, or abandoned infrastructure provides concealed transit in hostile zones. Sewer maps, tunnel grids, and WiFi dead zones should be memorized or mapped offline.

Guidelines:

- Never use the same entry/exit point twice.
- Deploy relay teams with environmental sensors.
- Always check for gas buildup, camera nests, or hostile presence.



Rural Tactics: Resistance in the Periphery

Rural terrain favors the prepared. With less dense surveillance and more natural cover, the land itself becomes ally and weapon. But long-distance visibility and isolation can make rural ops more dangerous without proper planning.

Key Practices:

- **Terrain Masking**

Use hills, tree lines, brush, and natural watercourses to move invisibly. Thermal footprints can be reduced using earth shelters, foliage layering, and wet zones.

Techniques:

- Move during fog, rainfall, or twilight hours.
- Cross ridgelines low, never silhouetted.
- Coordinate via hand signals or pre-mapped grid references.

- **Anti-Drone Countermeasures**

Drones in rural areas rely on IR, heat, and visual signatures. Netting made of reflective materials, flares, or even campfire smoke can confuse their optics. Use mirrored strips, emergency blankets, or biodegradable mylar for IR scattering.

Tips:

- Always break camp before dawn.
- Use flare bursts or cloud cover to time movement.
- Practice drone avoidance drills regularly.

- **Guerrilla Encampments**

Build mobile, temporary, and undetectable living structures. Tents should blend in with the environment and leave no physical trace. Clay sealing techniques can help preserve scent and heat masking. Practice "Leave No Trace" ethics with military precision.

Principles:

- No fires unless underground or shielded.
- Organic waste must be buried with scent masks (e.g., ash, clay).
- Structures should collapse and vanish in under 10 minutes.

Final Note: Cities are networks. Forests are labyrinths. Both can be navigated by those who listen.

The empire trains for brute force. You train for invisibility. The state surveils what it can see. You move where it never looks.

Victory doesn't require visibility. It requires knowing the terrain better than they know the law.



Defense & Disappearance: Evading Surveillance, Surviving Pursuit

Defense is not retreat. It is resilience. It is foresight. It is the refusal to be captured, caged, or erased.

In high-risk environments, disappearance is a tactic. Not just to escape capture, but to protect networks, movements, and future operations. This section outlines the essential principles and tactics of defensive strategy and rapid disappearance for autonomous cells, underground organizers, and transitory actors.

Use Faraday Gear to Prevent Tracking During Missions

Faraday bags, pockets, and cages are essential for blocking GPS, Bluetooth, cellular, and RFID signals. State forces and corporate contractors alike rely on passive tracking through everything from phones to smartwatches to transit cards.

Use Cases:

- Place burner phones in Faraday pouches during transit or inactive windows.
- Shield RFID-enabled IDs or keycards in layered foil or signal-dampening cloth.
- Line backpacks or field kits with Faraday mesh to carry electronics without leakage.

Advanced Tactic: Create field-ready gear that has Faraday compartments integrated with insulated hard-shell gear cases for rapid deployment.

Always Have Burn Routes (Multiple Egress Paths)

A burn route is an escape path that can be abandoned, reconfigured, or destroyed once used. It includes physical, digital, and narrative layers.

Principles:

- Always plan *at least three* egress options: primary, fallback, and decoy.
- Know alleyways, drainage paths, emergency exits, rooftops, and crowd patterns.
- Change your route every operation—**no repetition**.
- Build misdirection into movement: cross through shopping centers, cut through multi-floor buildings, swap clothing mid-route.

Digital burn route: Encrypt or destroy data before exfil. Remove metadata, wipe drives, and disconnect permanently from any logged accounts.

Narrative burn: Maintain decoy identities or alibis that split your digital and physical trail.



Learn Counter-Interrogation & Anti-Surveillance Drills

Being captured or questioned doesn't have to result in exposure. The goal is to **limit what you reveal under pressure** and to build habits that make information extraction difficult.

Counter-Interrogation Tactics:

- Memorize only what you must. Use compartmentalized knowledge distribution.
- Practice "*looped recall*" techniques, repeating false but plausible details until they become second nature.
- Use muscle memory under stress: hand signs, signal taps, pre-coded answers.

Anti-Surveillance Drills:

- Run practice escapes with a buddy tailing you like a pursuer.
- Time your ability to change appearance: hair, clothing, gait.
- Learn the rhythm of CCTV systems and public camera blind spots.

Mental defense: Cultivate emotional detachment from stored intel. Avoid sentimentality with gear, documents, or location patterns.

Keep Escape Caches: Food, Burner Phones, Clothing, Documents

Escape caches are pre-planted kits in hidden or rarely accessed locations that enable **complete transformation and relocation** in the event of pursuit or exposure.

Cache Contents:

- Non-perishable food & water purification tablets
- Weather-neutral clothing and sturdy boots
- Emergency cash, burner SIMs, and unregistered devices
- Photocopies of critical IDs and medical info (if needed for border crossing or hospital access)
- Signal mirrors, maps, flashlights, and waterproof lighters

Placement Rules:

- Store in waterproof, animal-proof containers.
- Bury with scent blockers (coffee grounds, charcoal, or mylar overlays).
- Hide in plain sight: abandoned planters, hollowed tree bases, unmarked lockers.

Best Practice: Pair caches with offline access codes or symbolic markers only you and your cell recognize.

Defense and disappearance are not signs of weakness. They are signatures of strategic longevity.

Every intact cell is a future threat to empire. Every untraceable action is a breach in their control. Every safe retreat is a guarantee that the movement survives.

Disappearing isn't hiding. **It's regenerating.**

Psychological Warfare: Mind Games Against Empire

Wars aren't just won on battlefields. They're won in people's heads. Every government, police force, and corporate contractor relies not just on weapons but on **narrative control**: the belief that they are permanent, invincible, and legitimate. Psychological warfare breaks that illusion.

We use psychological tactics not to terrorize, but to **disorient the state, embolden the people, and seed the idea that resistance is not only possible, it is already happening.**

Project Power: Posters, Graffiti, and Symbolic Zones

Visibility is voltage. When people see signs of resistance in the streets, tags, posters, murals, even fake occupation zones, they begin to question the total control of the state.

Tactics:

- **Posting campaigns** in gentrified or high-surveillance areas with QR codes, resistance messages, and local info.
- **Stencils and graffiti** with bold symbols (trans flags, abolitionist slogans, anti-surveillance messages).
- **Symbolic "occupied zones"**: fake barricades, planted tents, projected signs that mark parts of a city as liberated even for a night.

Effects:

- Undermines the image of state omnipresence.
- Boosts morale of isolated or demoralized communities.
- Sends the message: *We're still here. We're not scared.*

Spread False Leads to Overload Intel Networks

In the age of open-source intelligence (OSINT), movements must not only protect their own data, but they must also **flood enemy systems with noise**. This tactic mimics cyber ops in insurgent warfare: overload the sensors so no signal can be trusted.

Tactics:

- **Decoy event pages** or calls to action to lure surveillance away from real operations.
- **Contradictory communiques** that appear to come from the same movement wing.
- **Mimicry accounts** that adopt the language of infiltrators, confusing internal surveillance.

Digital Tools:

- Use burner accounts to post conflicting routes, slogans, or event times.
- Coordinate disinfo pulses to spike intel activity on dead targets.
- Use AI-generation to create plausible but false visual or text data.

Effects:

- Burns out state analysts.
- Diverts police presence from real sites.
- Erodes confidence in their ability to monitor, predict, or understand resistance.



Use Cultural Production to Undermine Legitimacy

Resistance is not only action, it's *meaning-making*. The state attempts to monopolize morality, order, and the future. Our art breaks that monopoly.

Forms:

- **Music** that glorifies resistance, shares oral history, or builds coded morale.
- **Street theater** that mocks police, politicians, or corporations in absurdist style.
- **Zines, podcasts, and short films** that document brutality *and* dream of abolition.
- **Digital satire and memes** that turn state power into a joke.

Psychological Objectives:

- Make the empire *feel ridiculous*.
- Replace fear with laughter and shared language.
- Build a parallel culture where state symbols no longer inspire awe, but contempt.

Case Study Inspiration:

- Zapatista communiques and poetry.
- Palestinian Dabke dance as resistance.
- Chilean feminist street chants as global contagion.
- Queer meme accounts that disarm TERFs with absurdity.

Psychological warfare doesn't just weaken the enemy. It strengthens us.

It opens a breach in the illusion of control. It tells people: you're not crazy for hating this. It says: your joy is an act of defiance.

We don't need mass media contracts to change hearts. **We need tactics that remind people the state is not sacred. It's just a brand.**

And every sticker, song, and smirk we plant in its cracks, **is a prophecy of its fall.**

Tools of the Trade: Tactical Gear for Asymmetric Operations

Resistance isn't won with the latest tech, it's won with the right tools, at the right time, in the right hands. Whether you're disrupting a surveillance hub, blacking out a fascist mural, or building a solar-powered mesh network, the principle is the same: **use what works**.

This is a curated arsenal for guerrilla operations rooted in precision, adaptability, and silence. Every item is chosen not for prestige, but for its ability to shift power back into the hands of the people.

Disruption & Sabotage Tools

- **Bolt Cutters**
Essential for breaching fences, locks, and chained gates. Choose compact, high-leverage models that fit in a backpack.
- **Paint Bombs**
Improvised from balloons, condoms, or sealed bags filled with non-toxic paint or pigment powder. Target cameras, statues, monuments, corporate signage.
- **Steel Wool (Camera Disabling)**
Applied with a magnet or adhesive, steel wool can obscure or permanently damage camera lenses, especially in combination with solvents or paint sprays.
- **Glass Etching Fluid / Acetone**
Used to destroy camera lenses or facial recognition kiosks with minimal noise.
- **Pry Bars & Wire Cutters**
Multi-use for breaching entry points, sabotaging electrical lines, or accessing utility hubs.

Communications Warfare Tools

- **Radio Jammers**
Can be built or acquired to scramble short-range radio traffic, often used by private security or tactical police units. Must be used sparingly and ethically.
- **Mesh Routers**
Decentralized internet hardware (e.g. goTenna, Althea) that create peer-to-peer intranet in blackout zones or protest zones.
- **Faraday Bags**
Critical for containing smartphones, RFID devices, or GPS-linked equipment that could compromise location data.
- **Signal Boosters / SDR Scanners**
For monitoring local frequencies and spotting surveillance drones or coordinated sweep timings.

Field Survival & Obfuscation Gear



- **Smoke Grenades**
Commercial or DIY variants using potassium nitrate and sugar can create quick obscuration. Best for exit coverage, drone evasion, or blocking thermal optics.
- **Mylar Sheets**
Reflective, heat-insulating blankets that can block infrared detection when used in layered shelters or to wrap gear.
- **Decoy Phones**
Low-cost burner devices with dummy data or spoofed profiles to mislead digital tracking. Useful for route fakes or controlled leaks.
- **Thermal Masking Materials**
Includes clay blankets, rubber mats, and cooled foam layers that suppress heat signatures from human presence.

Simplicity Over Tech: Quiet, Local, Modular

Hand tools beat high-tech when:

- Silence matters more than speed.
- Parts are hard to replace.
- Electricity is unreliable.
- Movement needs to be deniable.

Examples:

- Manual crowbars instead of battery-powered drills.
- Grease pencils instead of phones.
- Analog watches, compasses, and printed maps.
- Chalk, tape, and wire instead of apps.

Why It Matters:

- **Fewer digital trails.**
- **Fewer dependencies.**
- **More control.**

Start with what you have. Refine what you understand. Share what works.

The most effective tool is often the one that blends in. Not because it looks new, but because it feels natural. Not because it shocks, but because it solves.

Build your toolkit like a professional, deliberate, legal where possible, scalable when needed. Choose simplicity. Emphasize reliability. Adapt, optimize, and lead with precision.

Guerrilla Ethics: A Code for Resilient and Responsible Resistance

Guerrilla strategy is not chaos, it is discipline. It is not vengeance, it is design. For a resistance movement to endure, especially under intense surveillance and criminalization, it must root itself in *ethics as deeply as tactics*.

Ethical operations don't just protect civilians, they protect the movement itself. A disciplined resistance is a durable one. A principled insurgency becomes harder to discredit, harder to infiltrate, and far harder to defeat.

Below is a tactical moral code developed not from ideology, but from decades of experience across movements where power met the people, and the people answered with clarity, not cruelty.

No Actions That Harm Civilians or Marginalized Groups

Resistance is never justified at the expense of the very people it claims to protect. We do not mirror state violence. We do not target the vulnerable. Our legitimacy comes not from fear, but from *trust earned in action*.

What This Means:

- No sabotage that could risk injury to the public.
- No targeting infrastructure that supports housing, hospitals, or public utilities.
- Always assess for proximity to unhoused encampments, disability access routes, or Indigenous land before action.

Remember: The empire feeds off backlash. One wrong target can undo months of care work. We don't make martyrs of bystanders. We make room for their survival.

Avoid Ego-Driven Claims: Resistance Doesn't Need PR

Clout is not currency in underground movements. Visibility can compromise safety, invite infiltration, and center the individual over the mission.

What This Means:

- Don't post operational details on social media, even after the fact.
- Don't brand every action. Let the work speak.
- If a communiqué is necessary, keep it anonymous, concise, and tactical.

Ask Yourself: Am I documenting this to build solidarity, or to build my name? If it's the latter, don't.



🔥 Don't Escalate for Escalation's Sake

Not every battle needs to be fought. Not every provocation requires reply. Escalation must be *intentional*, not reactive. Tactical maturity means knowing when to pause, pivot, or retreat.

What This Means:

- Don't strike targets just because they're visible, strike them if they're *strategically vital*.
- Don't reply to state repression with unsound retaliation.
- Build pressure over time. Long games win wars.

Escalation without structure is noise. Structured escalation is a storm.

🤝 Practice Internal Accountability

We keep each other safe not just from the state, but from ourselves. That means calling each other in, debriefing clearly, and correcting course without shame.

Best Practices:

- After every operation, debrief: what worked, what didn't, what must change.
- Watch for signs of burnout, isolation, or radicalization drift.
- If harm occurs internally, *name it*. Address it. Don't bury it.

The strongest units are the ones that course-correct together. Accountability is not punishment, it's maintenance. A tuned engine resists longer.

Ethics are not a liability. They are armor. They let us move with clarity. They protect our communities. They make sure the revolution doesn't devour its own.

We are not trying to destroy the world. **We are trying to build one where harm has no home.**

So every move we make must bring us closer to that. Every tool, every word, every action: *strategic, accountable, and just*.



Conclusion

You don't need mass to disrupt. You don't need a permit, a podium, or a million likes. You don't need to go viral to make systems tremble. **All you need is movement. And movement doesn't mean many, it means deliberate.**

You need **mobility**: the ability to shift, adapt, disappear, reappear. You need **ethics**: a compass that doesn't point north, but toward dignity, justice, and liberation. You need **intent**: not just rage, but direction. Not just fire, but fuel.

Empires expect a war they can see. A tank rolling down Main Street. A riot on live TV. But we know better.

Resistance doesn't always roar. Sometimes it whispers. Sometimes it walks slowly, with a backpack full of medical supplies. Sometimes it speaks in coded messages and flashlight blinks. Sometimes it says nothing at all, because silence can be sharper than sirens.

A **painted security camera** that never sees again.

A **false detour sign** that buys 30 minutes for an escape.

A **street medic** with a burner phone and a burner name.

A **disconnected wire** in the back of a surveillance van.

A meal delivered in the dark, to someone whose name no longer exists on paper.

This is what disruption looks like. Small. Tactical. Surgical. Invisible to those who only measure power in mass.

You don't need a gun to fight an empire. You don't need to play the empire's game at all.

You need **vision**: the clarity to see what the empire tries to hide. You need **precision**: the courage to act when it matters, where it counts. You need the **will to move in the shadows**: not out of fear, but as strategy. Because survival under surveillance requires more than noise. It requires **knowing when to vanish** and when to strike.

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