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Eco-terrorists Hit New York SUVs in Tire-deflation Campaign

Terrorists masquerading as “climate activists” are deflating SUV tires in New York City and plan to expand their criminal enterprise to other major cities.

They call themselves the Tyre Extinguishers, and claim they struck New York City SUV owners for the first time this week.

Begun in Britain, the group expanded its criminal operation to Europe first. Its goal: terrorize SUV owners into selling their vehicles.

The right response: Buy SUVs.



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Start Walking or Cycling

The group has a website and posts video to YouTube and details of its exploits on Twitter, a clear violation of the two social-media platforms’ rules.

“We are rapidly expanding across the United States and are in touch with people in major cities across the USA,” the [group told](#) Fox News Digital. “We expect this to expand massively.”

It might “expand massively,” at least until a Tyre Extinguisher is caught and gets a punch in the jaw at best and arrested at worst. Those prospects did not deter the climate communists in New York.

“BIG NEWS: TYRE EXTINGUISHERS STRIKE FOR THE FIRST TIME IN NEW YORK CITY!” the outfit bragged on Twitter: “40 SUVs disarmed in the Upper East Side, the first of many.”

Police in New York have not arrested anyone for the crimes.

When a tire extinguishing criminal deflates a tire — they don’t slash them — he leaves a flier on the windshield of the victim’s car.

A long apologia for the crime, the flier urges the victim to look past his anger.

“Your gas guzzler kills. We have deflated one or more of your tires,” the [flier begins](#). “You’ll be angry, but don’t take it personally. It’s not you, it’s your car.”

The message appears to be the work of a childish ideologue:

We did this because driving around urban areas in your massive vehicle has huge consequences for others....

SUVs and 4X4s are a disaster for our climate. SUVs are the second-largest cause of the global rise in carbon dioxide emissions over the past decade — more than the entire aviation industry.

The world is facing a climate emergency....



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Even if you don't care about the impacts on people far away from you, there's also consequences for your neighbours, SUVs cause more air pollution than smaller cars, SUVs are more likely to kill people than normal cars in collisions. Psychological studies show SUV drivers are more likely to take risks on the road. SUVs are unnecessary, and pure vanity....

You will have no difficulty getting around without your gas guzzler, with walking, cycling or public transit.

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The [website explains](#) that the group wants to control how others live. "We are people from all walks of life with one aim," the nutters explain. "To make it impossible to own a huge polluting 4x4 in the world's urban areas. We are defending ourselves against climate change, air pollution and unsafe drivers."

And organizers believe that deflating tires will force SUV owners to get rid of their vehicles:

Deflating tyres repeatedly and encouraging others to do the same will turn the minor inconvenience of a flat tyre into a giant obstacle for driving massive killer vehicles around our streets.

We're taking this action because governments and politicians have failed to protect us from these huge vehicles. Everyone hates them, apart from the people who drive them.

The group also offers directions on how to deflate a tire. After removing the cap on the valve, "drop a small bean (we like green lentils, but you can experiment with couscous, bits of gravel, etc) inside the valve cap."

After that, "replace the cap, screwing it on with a few turns until you hear air hissing out. Even if it's only hissing out a little bit, that's enough — it will deflate slowly. The whole process should take about 10 seconds."

Or, the "process" might use the whole afternoon if a Tyre Extinguisher is caught and lands in jail or the hospital.

Prepared for Arrest

But that is a consequence the Tyre Extinguishers say they'll accept.

"We are prepared to risk arrest and criminal charges because we want to stop runaway climate change, we want clean air and we want safe streets," a [spokesman told Newsweek](#) in March.

Whether they're prepared to risk physical harm by an angry SUV owner he didn't say.

Closed-circuit television [has caught](#) the criminals in the act in England, the *Evening Standard* reported.

The group is an offshoot of the crazed [Extinction Rebellion](#).

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