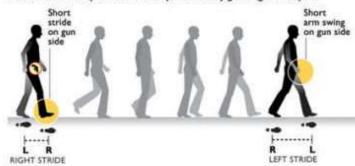
Spotting a hidden handgun

ASYMMETRICAL GAIT

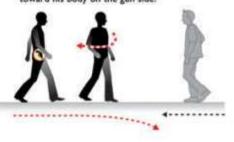
A gun in a right-hand pocket or tucked into the right side of a waistband may hinder leg movement on that side, making the right stride shorter than the left.

A slightly clipped arm swing may also signal a hidden gun: the forearm on the gun side will tend to stay close to the body, instinctively guarding the weapon.



UPPER BODY SHIFT

When approached from the front, a person with a hidden gun will instinctively turn the gun side of his body away from the person approaching, and may veer to that side to avoid a face-to-face encounter. He is also likely to pull his arm in toward his body on the gun side.



A QUICK ADJUSTMENT

A gun's weight is distributed unevenly, with more of its weight in the grip than in the barrel. Vertical motion - like descending A quick, circular movement of the hand or forearm adjusts the gun's



Weighted grip slips downward; barrel rises

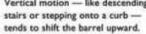
HAND REPOSITIONS GUN

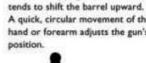


When running toward shelter from rain, or across a busy street, a person concealing a gun is likely to brace the weapon with an arm or hand.

RUNNING FROM THE RAIN











CONSPICUOUS CLOTHING

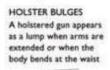
Garments worn to conceal weapons often appear odd, mismatched, or out of season, and can actually draw attention to a person trying to avoid scrutiny. A closer look may reveal movements or other characteristic signs of a hidden handgun.

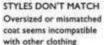
position in

waistband

JACKET FITS UNEVENLY One side hangs lower than the other, and swings like a pendulum with each step









CLOTHES DON'T SUIT WEATHER ... or closed in hot weather, to conceal one

