What's the big deal if ...



...I hold the door open for someone behind me?

Why it is a big deal

- You don't know if the individual is there legitimately or if he/she is a thief or a personal threat
- You could put your safety, and your colleagues' safety, at risk
- You could put departmental information and assets at risk of damage or theft

Scenario

You arrive on your floor and notice a few individuals standing at the entrance door to your work area. What should you do?

Possible actions (vote on the correct answer)

- Option 1: Use your access card to enter your work area and proceed to your desk
- Option 2: Unlock the door with your access card and then hold the door open, so everyone can enter your work area
- Option 3: Use your access card to enter your work area and make sure that the door closes and locks behind you

Explanation

- Option 3 is the correct answer
- Using your access card and ensuring that the door locks behind you sends a clear message that others
 must enter using their own access cards

Key take-aways

- Holding the door open for others because it's polite can put those who work in a building, as well as the information and assets on the premises, at risk
- Everyone who has authorized access to departmental buildings is provided with their own access card for entry
- There are processes in place to allow temporary authorized entry into work areas for legitimate visitors

More information

- <u>Video on Tailgating</u>
- Physical Security