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- Avoid sudden movements or raised voice.
- Do not interpret silence as refusal or aggression.

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2. Avoid physical contact unless strictly necessary.
3. Reduce sensory input — lower voice, step back if safe.
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5. Request an autism-trained officer or support person.

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