Law and order in Copenhagen:

It is of great importance to the Copenhagen Police to see the Climate Change Conference take place in an orderly and peaceful manner. Therefore, the rules and regulations that apply to demonstrations and public meetings are set out below.

In Denmark, there is freedom of demonstration. It means that all people are, without previous permission, at liberty to assemble unarmed. However, open-air meetings may be prohibited when it is feared that they may constitute a danger to the public order.

The Copenhagen Police must be notified of processions of demonstrators and other meetings 24 hours before they are to take place.

In the event of riots, the police aren’t allowed to take action, unless attacked, until after the crowd has three times been called upon to disperse in the name of the Queen and the law and such warnings have gone unheeded.

Gatherings that may disturb the public order must not take place.

It is a criminal offence to instigate a crowd with intent to exert or threaten violence to persons or property.

In Denmark, there is a ban on the wearing of masks. Consequently, participants in public meetings and demonstrations are not allowed to conceal their faces in whole or in part with a hood, a mask, paint, or similar in a manner which is likely to prevent identification.

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