

Travel Safety

The following are tips for you to follow during your vacation or business trip:

Before You Leave

- Stop mail and cancel all deliveries, or ask a friend or neighbor to make daily collections.
- Hide empty garbage cans.
- Have a neighbor maintain your yard.
- Put an automatic timer on lights, televisions or radios.
- Leave your blinds or shades in their normal position.
- Tell a trusted neighbor your departure and return dates. Supply that neighbor with phone numbers in case of an emergency and leave them a house key.
- Ask the police department to periodically check your residence.
- Lock all windows and doors, including the basement and garage.

While On Your Trip

- Carry a minimum amount of cash. If you use traveler's checks, keep records of the numbers separate and in a safe place.
- Keep a careful watch on your traveling tickets. Carry them in an inside pocket.
- If driving, plan your route. Have your car serviced, including your tires. Always lock your car when it is parked and keep valuables out of sight.
- Never pick up hitchhikers.
- Carry your cell phone.

- When you stop for the night, remove bags and other valuables from the car.
- Carry a flashlight with fresh batteries, flares, fire extinguisher and a first aid kit.

Airport Safety

- Before leaving for the airport, familiarize yourself with its layout on the airport website.
- Leave your valuables, jewelry, designer luggage, etc., at home.
- Walk with confidence, being sure to keep your head up and looking forward at all times.
- Immediately report any suspicious activity to airport security, including any abandoned bags.
- Only use taxis and transportation services with official markings.
- Never accept gifts or packages from unknown parties.
- Never leave your luggage unattended.
- Mark your luggage so you can easily identify it, and pick it up right away.



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