



PERSONAL SECURITY TIPS FOR TRAVELLERS

Module 11

Travelers are often the targets of crime because they are unfamiliar with local conditions and warning signs. This problem is compounded when traveling in foreign countries where language barriers may exist. The tips are offered to help reduce the chance of crimes occurring while traveling.

- Utilize traveler's checks or credit cards, rather than carrying large amounts of cash.
- Plan for any language barriers. Try to know some of the language commonly spoken wherever you're traveling.
- Learn to recognize the uniforms of local law enforcement officers.
- Attempt to dress inconspicuously.
- Avoid meeting strangers in unknown, isolated places.
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- In a hotel, lock balcony doors or any windows accessible from outside.
- Locate fire exits, be able to recognize the fire alarm signal, and plan your actions in the event of a hotel fire.
- Use the trunk of your automobile rather than the passenger compartment for carrying luggage. Bring your entire luggage into the hotel room with you at night. Lock your baggage and don't over pack when using public transportation. Store luggage in a coin operated locker during a layover.
- Use only skycaps or other authorized baggage handling personnel for assistance with your luggage.
- Use the AAA, travel agencies, Embassies, Consulates, and other reliable sources for information about where you're going and what you should do or avoid while there.
- Guard your transportation tickets.
- Determine taxi fares before you use taxi service.

- Lock camper or motor home doors even while driving.
 - Notify police, or nearby campers of your camping location.
 - Use your auto horn as an emergency alarm.
- Be especially dubious of unwarranted attention or offers of friendship from strangers in resort areas.

Take precautions against pickpockets in a crowd.



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What precautions do have to take when traveling.

Make a list below of some suggestions for travelers:

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