



PERSONAL SAFETY



Don't let the fear of crime rule your life and stop you from enjoying the things you like doing. A few simple precautions can considerably reduce your risk.

- Always be aware of your surroundings.
- If you feel you are in danger go to a place where there are plenty of people, like a shop or service station.

WHAT SHOULD I DO

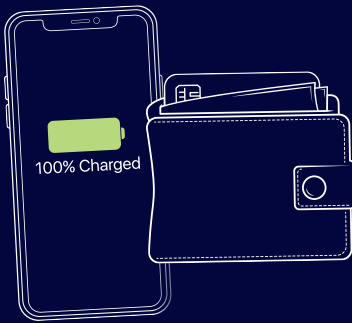
- Always keep enough money for a taxi or telephone call, and keep your mobile phone charged.
- Have your keys ready before you get to your home or car.
- Carry a personal alarm or whistle if you have reason to feel unsafe.
- Where possible, park your car in a busy, well lit area.
- If someone in a car threatens you, run in the opposite direction the car is facing.
- If attacked, shout as loudly as you can.
- If someone does attempt to take your property, don't resist.

OUT AND ABOUT

- It is best not to carry large sums of money. Try to pay large bills online or by direct debit.
- If you carry a purse or bag, hold it under your arm or in front of you. Never leave it unattended. If you use a wallet, put it inside your jacket or a front pocket instead of your bag, then if your bag does get snatched your wallet will still be safe.

A MESSAGE FROM NSW POLICE FORCE





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BE AWARE

Unexpected visitors or callers can be friendly, but be aware that some may want to trick you out of your money or property or both. Things to be cautious of include:

- Something for nothing.
- Any claims that you have won a contest.
- Cash only opportunities.
- Home improvement offers.
- Get rich quick schemes.
- 'Service calls' you didn't request.

VISITORS

- If you are unsure who it is, don't open the door.
- If an unexpected visitor wants to use your phone for an emergency, offer to make the call for them, but don't invite them into your home.
- Be suspicious of unexpected people who want to enter your home and **ALWAYS** verify their identity.

BANKING

- Vary the routine of your banking: days, times and branches.
- Protect your password and PIN.
- Don't display cash in public.
- Never carry large sums of money.
- Use secured online banking.

IDENTITY THEFT

- Shred and discard documents with personal information.
- **DO NOT** place personal documents in a recycling bin.
- Keep your mail box secure and empty every day.
- Be cautious about providing personal information over the phone or on the internet.

IMPORTANT NUMBERS:

TRAVEL SAFETY

- If you use public transport, wait in well lit areas, near other people.
- For your safety, always cross at traffic signals and pedestrian crossings.

NUISANCE CALLS

- Never give out personal information over the telephone to unknown callers.
- Nuisance callers will often try to upset you. As soon as you feel that a call is unusual, hang up. If the calls persist, contact your telephone service provider and seek their advice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION ABOUT CRIME PREVENTION PLEASE VISIT WWW.POLICE.NSW.GOV.AU

When reporting crime, remember to record the following:

- Details of the offence.
- Description of offenders.
- Direction offenders headed.
- Witness details.
- Vehicle registration and description.

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