



Ensuring a Safe and Joyful Holiday Season:

Your Comprehensive Holiday Safety Guide

Whether you're hitting the road for travel, braving the crowds for shopping, or navigating the hustle and bustle of the holidays, these tips will ensure your safety remains the top priority. Use these precautions to safeguard your celebrations and make this season joyous and secure.

Safety Checklist for Your Holiday Travels

- Keep an emergency kit in your car in case of bad weather
- Keep calm and focused while driving
- Keep up with routine car maintenance
- Always buckle up
- If you're driving into cold weather, brush up on how to drive in the snow or icy conditions
- Make sure someone knows where you are and your route
- Double-check that everything is locked tight, including windows
- Ask someone to check on your home while you're away
- If you're going to be gone for more than a few days, set up your home so it looks like you're still there
- Never post on social media that you're leaving for vacation
- Insure your valuables. Vault can assist you in finding the right policy.
- If you're staying in a hotel, make use of the safe in your room
- Don't flash around your valuables or leave them out unattended
- Use anti-theft luggage and bags; don't put valuables in checked luggage when flying
- Never take jewelry or watches off in public spaces, such as washing hands or eating

Tips to Avoid Scams While Holiday Shopping

- Be wary of online marketplaces
- Make sure your internet connection is secure
- Double-check the website is an https:// address and has a lock symbol in the URL bar
- Be on the lookout for holiday scams in your email
- Avoid non-bank ATMs and be mindful of using your card
- Use your mobile wallet on your phone
- Park in a well-lit, high traffic space
- Keep your purchases out of sight
- Bring only the cash you need while out shopping
- Review your account activity



Keep Your Home and Loved Ones Safe: **Holiday Party Safety Checklist**

Fire Safety

- Inspect all cords, lights, and sockets
- Keep an eye on your candles
- Be careful not to overload outlets and extension cords

Driving Safety

- Get a ride home if you are drinking
- Stay focused on the road and take precautions for bad weather
- Take off puffy coats before buckling in small children

Pet Safety

- Watch out for holiday plants, tinsel, small toys, and batteries, which can make pets sick
- Secure your Christmas tree so your pets can't knock it over and get hurt
- Don't give your pet leftovers from the table

Home Safety

- Stay safe in the kitchen and deep-fry with care
- Install smart lights and doorbell cameras
- Don't forget to insure your gifted valuables

