



*Partners for a safe community*

## Burnaby RCMP Crime Prevention Unit

### Digital Tips

Issue 4

July/August 2016



UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 1  
Canada Day

September 17  
City of Burnaby & RCMP Open House



Crime Prevention Unit | Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm | 6355 Deer Lake Avenue | [crimeprevention@burnaby.ca](mailto:crimeprevention@burnaby.ca)





## Transit and Personal Safety Tips

*Partners for a safe community*

With so many summer festivals and activities coming up, follow these transit and personal safety tips to get home safely each time!



### What to wear at night

Make sure to wear reflective clothing or accessories when going out at night.

This allows moving cars and other people to see you in the dark.

### Travel in groups or with a friend

It is highly recommended to travel in groups or with a friend when leaving a venue.

Make sure somebody trustworthy knows where you are and what time you are expected home.

### Be mindful in crowded places

Keep valuables close in crowded places.

It is easy for criminals to pick pocket valuables especially in crowded places.

### Be familiar with your surroundings

Research transit and walking routes for the safest path.

Know where the closest exits, silent alarms and emergency cabinets are located.





## Vacation and Travel Safety Tips

*Partners for a safe community*

### Luggage

**Place new luggage tags every time you travel.** Old tags may confuse flight staff.

**Use business addresses instead of home addresses.** Potential offenders use tag information to break-in while you are away.

**Never leave bags unattended.** Unattended bags are an easy target for different types of criminal activity.

### Sightseeing

**Avoid carrying cash.** Wear a money belt or purse under an arm.

**Do not advertise you are a tourist.** Walk with purpose and be alert.



### Hotel

**Do not store valuables in the room.** Use free deposit boxes/vaults.

**Avoid wearing a lot of jewellery.** This can be a target for criminals.

**Verify who is at the door.** If unsure, call the front desk to make sure hotel staff are supposed to be there.

### Cruise Ship

**Do not assume you are safe from criminals on a cruise.** Check your belongings daily.

**Protect your cabin key and number.** Dishonest crew members or passengers will take easy opportunities to commit a crime.

### Home Security

**Make your house look occupied.** Ask someone to mow the lawn, park in the drive way, or pick up mail and newspapers. House sitters are the best.

**If you have an alarm, ensure it is set before you leave.** This is a good crime prevention method.

**Always close and lock all windows or doors.** An unsecured building is an easy target.



June/July are popular months for travel.

Ensure crime prevention practices are implemented before you leave. Remember to be safe and consider crime prevention practices while away.



Review travel advisories before going on a trip & know where Canadian embassies are located  
[www.travel.gc.ca](http://www.travel.gc.ca)



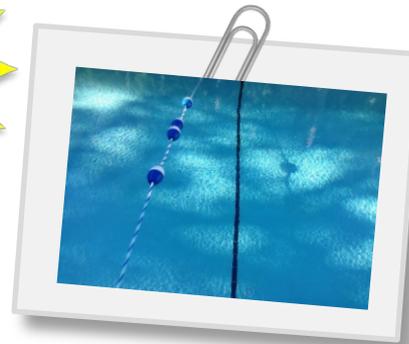
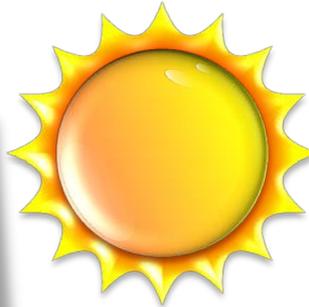


## Summer Activities Safety Tips

*Partners for a safe community*

**Boating:** It is important to follow boating guidelines and familiarize yourself with safety equipment.

**Hiking:** Be prepared for the unexpected and keep hydrated. Stay alongside with other hikers or use the buddy system!



**Parks & Recreation:** Remember to follow the rules set by designated park sites. This goes for pets and kids too!

**Swimming:** When in the water, swim only where you feel comfortable. Do not go farther or deeper than you can handle!