



“HOTEL TIPS”



When arriving at the hotel, scan the parking lot and area, trust your instincts. Does the place look well kept and safe? What is your comfort level?

- Park your vehicle in a well-lit area close to the lobby where you can see your vehicle and occupants.
- Before getting out of your vehicle, check your surroundings for suspicious people.
- When leaving your vehicle, put valuables out of sight and be sure to lock it.
- Memorize your vehicle license information so you don't have to go back outside.
- When checking in, make reservations ahead of time to prevent being stranded with no vacancies or unsafe accommodations.
- Women traveling alone may prefer to sign in using only a first initial and last name.
- Register using your business address.
- When arriving in your room, store valuables in a hotel safe and get receipt instead of leaving them in your vehicle.
- Don't enter your room if someone is loitering in the area and watching you. Report this to the front desk immediately.
- Be sure the locks on your door are working properly.
- Familiarize yourself with the closest fire evacuation route.
- Make sure you know how to use the phone in your room and that you can dial out to 9-1-1.
- Memorize the name and address of the hotel and your room number.
- Use the “peep hole” to identify visitors. Never open the door to strangers.
- When going out hang the “do not disturb” sign on the doorknob and leave a light and radio or TV on.
- Do not enter an elevator if someone inside seems suspicious.
- Inquire at the front desk about safe places to eat, shop, walk, or jog. Ask for a map of the area.

Following these tips will help make your vacation or trip an enjoyable experience.