



Have a *fun and safe* summer!

SDPD's Northwestern Division

HOME SAFETY TIPS for SUMMER

- ★ Be extra cautious about locking doors and windows when you leave the house, even if you will only be gone for a few minutes. Come home to a hot house, not an empty house!
- ★ When going on trips or just out for the evening, use automatic timers to turn indoor lights on and off to make it appear you are home.
- ★ Consider informing your neighbors if you will be away from your house for an extended period of time; ask them to watch your house and to collect your mail and newspapers.
- ★ If you have house guests, familiarize them with your security precautions and make sure they follow them.
- ★ Do not possess or use fireworks – enjoy professional fireworks displays, from a safe distance.

VACATION SAFETY TIPS

- ★ The following are some common safety tips that particularly pertain to tourists:
 - Use maps to plan routes before venturing out in a rental car.
 - Avoid traveling in vehicles that are obviously rented.
 - Avoid appearing to be a tourist.
 - Be aware of surroundings and avoid suspicious characters.
 - Travel with companions.
 - Remove valuables from cars.
 - Lock windows and doors in rooms when leaving.
- ★ Always be aware of who is around you.
- ★ Keep your money safe: Carry your purse in front of you, next to your body, with the purse flap against you; carry your wallet in your front pocket.
- ★ Park in well-lit areas, as close as possible to hotel or attraction entrances.
- ★ Be sure to indelibly mark cameras and other valuables with your California Driver's license or I.D. number.
- ★ If you are a victim of a crime, report it to the police immediately.



**REMEMBER THIS: UNLIKE US, CRIMINALS DON'T TAKE A BREAK OVER THE SUMMER.
IN FACT, THIS IS ONE OF THEIR BUSY SEASONS!
BE ALERT AND REPORT SUSPICIOUS BEHAVIOR.**