

# Twelve Steps to Safe & Happy Holiday Season

## Personal Security

1. Be aware of your surroundings: Don't carry too much cash and keep an eye on your wallet and purse.
2. Some people take advantage of the generous mood of the season. Be knowledgeable and cautious on requests for charity.
3. If leaving on vacation, inform your building manager and arrange with Canada Post to hold your mail until your return.
4. Report suspicious activity in and around your building immediately to either the building manager or Police.

## Fire Safety

5. Ensure all candles are completely snuffed out before heading out or to bed.
6. Do not leave paper or other flammable material near heat sources such as electric heaters or candles.
7. Inspect your Christmas lights for frayed wires. Use the appropriate lights for the area (use only outdoor lights outdoors and indoor lights inside).
8. Turn off all display and tree lights before going to bed or leaving the home.

## Vehicle Security

9. Don't leave valuables in your vehicle, including packing up the family vehicle with gifts the night before leaving on vacation.
10. Use an anti-theft device on your vehicle at all times.
11. Park only in well-lit areas.
12. Don't Drink & Drive.

**'Tis the season to be jolly.  
Make this a happy, safe and enjoyable time of year.**



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