



The [Federal Protective Service](#) is committed to ensuring the safety and security of those who visit and work in Federal facilities. As co-chair of the [Government Services and Facilities Sector](#), FPS promotes security and resilience by sharing information and resources with state, local, tribal, and territorial government personnel.

Listed below are safety best practices we encourage all Federal government employees to follow while traveling.

- Be aware of your surroundings at all times when in a new place. Try to familiarize yourself with the location as much as possible before traveling. Study maps and directories.
- If traveling abroad, notify your Security Office and consult the State Department Travel Advisories website to make sure your destination is safe for Americans to visit.
- Be aware of potential scams before traveling. Research any common scams practiced in your travel destination.
- Always lock and deadbolt your hotel room and keep windows shut. Use a hotel lock box to store important documents and valuables.
- Keep government credentials out of sight in public areas.
- Avoid looking at work-related documents and talking about work topics in public spaces.
- Use judgment when talking to strangers. Go to trusted personnel, like hotel employees, for directions.
- Do not post your location or travel itinerary on social media.
- Make sure everyone in your travel party and friends and family back home are aware of your travel itinerary.
- Consider wearing difficult to access items, such as a money belt or lockable backpack when in public.
- Try to travel in groups as much as possible.
- Be discreet when using cash in public. Do not be obvious about where you store cash on your person.

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