

BUSINESS AND SUMMER TRAVEL SECURITY

Professional and personal protection tips when traveling for business or fun



Avoid dependence on flying anxiety medications that make you sleep and put your belongings at risk

Why change passwords before and after your trip?

Because it makes it difficult for those who may have stolen your login credentials to access your network while you're away.

And if your credentials are compromised during travel by scammers hoping to log in later, changing them upon return can prevent them from succeeding.

Before You Head Anywhere

Back up important work files and create strong passwords if you haven't already.

Notify only colleagues you work with closely of your absence, and leave a short out of office message that can't be exploited for details a scammer could use to phish your company.

Public Transit

It's convenient. And nothing beats having someone else navigate when you're in a new city. Just be aware of your surroundings, keep your possessions close to discourage theft and trust your instincts when engaging with strangers.

MASK AWARENESS

Covid 19 rules for public spaces in your area may differ from those where you're headed. Check before you leave.

Social Media

Posting travel pics on social may keep friends interested. But it can also catch the eye of scammers who know you're away and will take advantage of it.

Wifi World

Never use public or unsecure wifi at home or while traveling. Instead, use a VPN that encrypts your data or your smart phone's hot spot.

Scammers will set up fake hotel, airport and restaurant wifi sites to capture login credentials. Examine web addresses closely.

Protect Access

Key cards kept in backpacks or purses are easily lost or stolen if you take your eyes off them. Check bags with hotel security or hang onto them to prevent loss or theft.

Avoid accessing sensitive data and networks during travel

Disable Bluetooth and wifi on your smart device

Take as few devices with as possible

Never trust third-party devices

Turn device off to charge

Never download software while abroad

Have IT check devices upon return

Border screens may compromise device

Don't trust unfamiliar equipment

Keep Devices With You

It's tempting to pack your laptop conveniently in your suitcase. But if you get separated from your luggage there's no telling where your devices will end up.

International Travel

While traveling, keep your devices secure in public places. Consider using a privacy screen on your laptop to restrict visibility. And beware of 'shoulder surfers,' people who hover nearby to steal your login credentials.

Going on a cruise? Remember these tips.

Drink responsibly • Carry small amounts of cash • Store valuables in safe • Know your steward • Decline invites to crew quarters • Practice safe habits in cabin and on balcony • Travel with friends

Phishing and travel go hand in hand. Don't let your guard down.

