10 IDENTITY PROTECTION TIPS FOR SUMMER TRAVEL

Getting away for some rest and relaxation?
Use these tips to lessen your risk of returning home the victim of identity theft.

Thieves will take advantage of distractions in crowded places like airports and hotel lobbies, so be aware of your laptop's location at all times.

HOTEL

Before travelling with your laptop or other mobile device, remove files that contain sensitive personal information.

If the hotel desk clerk calls your room, don't provide payment information by phone. Walk to the front desk to verify the request.

Do not post photos of your boarding passes online. They contain loads of data that a thief could use in a number of ways.

Verify the legitimacy of travel agents and/or offers. This includes home-sharing services. Check references and reviews before booking reservations.

Make sure internet browser and security software versions are current and password-protect your mobile devices.

Don't let thieves know you're gone—wait until you return home to share details of your vacation via social media networks.

Verify the name of the hotel or coffee shop's Wi-Fi network before connecting. Scammers set up their own Wi-Fi hotspots nearby to trick patrons.

Watch for skimming devices (used to steal card data) on credit/debit card readers at gas pumps and ATMs. If there is any sign of tampering, do not use it.

Set your mobile devices so they do not automatically connect to nearby Wi-Fi hotspots.

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