



**SOUTH AUSTRALIA POLICE**  
KEEPING SA SAFE



**HOLIDAY SAFETY**



## EMERGENCIES

**Call Triple Zero (000) when there is an emergency**  
For example, any situation where life or injury is threatened or any event that may cause danger to people or property.

## NON-EMERGENCIES

**Call 131 444 for non-urgent police assistance**  
For example, reporting a crime that has already happened, reporting a missing person or making general police related enquiries.

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South Australia is a safe place to live, visit and do business.

Holidays are all about having fun and relaxing. Your safety is important to us so please read and follow these simple safety and crime prevention tips and share them with your family and friends.

Look after yourself and your property and have a safe and happy holiday.

For more information visit [www.police.sa.gov.au](http://www.police.sa.gov.au)



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Holidays are a time to relax, visit family and friends and spend time outdoors. Whether you are staying in a hotel, motel, hostel, caravan park or at a campsite, please consider the following safety and security tips to have a happy holiday.

#### ACCOMMODATION SECURITY

- Be aware of your new surroundings and take note of emergency plans.
- Ensure all doors and windows are locked, even when going out for a short time.
- Secure valuable items in a safe. If there is no safe, take them with you.
- Take your keys with you. Do not hide them.

#### VEHICLE SECURITY

- Keep your keys in a safe location. Do not hide them in your car, caravan or boat.
- Remove valuable items such as GPS devices, mobile phones, laptops and cameras.
- Secure and lock all doors and windows.
- Remove fishing rods, tackle boxes and eskies from boats and trailers.
- Securely attach trailers and boats to a vehicle or a solid fixture when not in use.

#### PERSONAL SAFETY

- Always tell your family and friends of your travel plans and provide them with your itinerary so they know where you are and how to contact you in an emergency.
- Where possible, travel with a friend or in a group.
- Maintain regular contact with your family or friends, so they know you are safe.
- Keep your mobile phone charged and in your possession, as you may require it in an emergency.
- Don't carry large amounts of money. Only carry what you need for the day.
- Walk confidently and keep to well-lit and populated areas. Use the appropriate pedestrian crossings and footpaths and walk against the flow of traffic.
- Never hitchhike or accept a ride with strangers.

#### WATER ACTIVITIES

- Be aware of water safety issues at the beach or at the river including rips and currents, maritime safety and the dangers of marine life.
- When at the beach, always swim between the red and yellow flags and know your limits.
- Never leave valuable items unattended or under a beach towel. Use a watertight container or leave your items secured in your holiday home.



#### BUSHWALKING

- Plan your walk. Visit [www.alert.sa.gov.au](http://www.alert.sa.gov.au) for the latest news from South Australia's Emergency Services and weather forecasts from the Bureau of Meteorology.
- Never travel alone.
- Make sure everyone with you is able to complete the walk.
- Tell someone where you are going and when you expect to return.
- Take enough food, water, suitable clothing and basic emergency items.

#### ROAD SAFETY

- Plan your trip. Drive on major roads and don't take shortcuts.
- Make sure your vehicle is road worthy and you have sufficient fuel.
- Interstate and overseas visitors must carry a current driver's licence when driving in South Australia.
- Always drive with your doors locked.
- Never pick up hitchhikers.
- In Australia, you must drive on the left-hand side of the road.
- When driving long distances, share the driving and stop for at least 15 minutes every two hours.
- On open roads the speed limit in South Australia is 100 km/h unless otherwise signposted.
- In built-up areas the speed limit in South Australia is 50 km/h unless otherwise signposted.
- You and your passengers must wear a seatbelt.
- Do not exceed the prescribed concentration of alcohol for your class of driver's licence (0.05 for holders of a full driver's licence).
- It is an offence to drive a motor vehicle whilst being under the influence of a drug, or having a prohibited drug in your oral fluid or blood.
- It is an offence to drive whilst using a mobile phone.
- You must wear an approved helmet that is correctly fitted and fastened when riding motor bikes, bicycles and wheeled recreational devices such as rollerblades, skateboards and scooters.