



Protect Your Purse



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PROTECT YOUR PURSE

- Leave your SIN Card, Passport and birth certificate at home
- Keep your handbag with you at all times
- Never leave your purse or wallet unattended
- Keep purse zippers or snaps closed
- Be extra vigilant in crowded locations
- Keep your wallet at the bottom of your bag
- Never write down PIN codes or passwords and keep them in your purse or wallet
- Have a different PIN for each credit/debit card
- Avoid carrying large amounts of money
- Bring only what you need. Don't carry extra cards or cash with you
- Don't get distracted. Thieves work in teams to distract you so they can steal your purse or wallet
- Be aware of your surroundings. Report any suspicious activity to police

WHO TO CALL

To report a stolen purse or wallet, contact the Halton Regional Police Service at 905-825-4747. You can also file an on-line report at haltonpolice.ca. Remember to inform your bank and credit card company of all lost or stolen cards and if your cellphone is stolen, contact your service provider.

It takes only seconds for a thief to steal your wallet or purse and a moment's distraction can cause you weeks of stress. Follow our safety tips to reduce the chance of your property becoming a target.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

**Halton Regional Police Service
Regional Fraud Unit**

905-465-8741

<https://www.haltonpolice.ca/about/specializedunits/fraud.php>