

Robbery Prevention Safety Tips

1. Always have at least two persons working.
2. Vary your banking routine. Vary the times and routes that you use to go to the bank. Carry deposits in different bags, other than the obvious money bag.
3. Consider deposits being picked up by armored car services.
4. If possible, use security personnel during high-risk times of the day or night.
5. Use video camera surveillance and make it well known to public.
6. Advertise your security alarm system with signs in visible locations, and test the system periodically to make sure it is in working order
7. Keep your front doors and windows clear of signs, shrubs and posters to allow good, two way visibility.
8. Keep the outside well lit at night, proper lighting can deter crime install a peephole in the back door.
9. Advertise outside that you keep a minimal amount of cash in the register and that you will not accept large bills
10. Make sure cash register is clearly visible to outside observers.
11. Keep a minimum amount of cash in drawer and make regular drops into a time controlled drop safe.
12. Inform employees of the location of alarm buttons that will signal authorities in cases of emergency.
13. Change combinations on keyless pad entry doors after termination of any employee that had access to that code.
14. Watch for suspicious persons outside the business-especially when people park to the side of the restaurant and watch your operations.
15. If you see someone who is acting suspicious inside or out, call the police to have them checked out.
16. Be alert for “customers” who seem to be loitering or glancing around the restaurant, or asking what time you close.
17. Consider a ‘bait pack’ of fake money that contains permanent dye
18. At opening time, one person should enter the store and check to see if it has been disturbed.
19. Keep back doors locked. Have employees use the main entrance.
20. Don’t take out trash or perform outside activities after dark.
21. Place markers at the main entrance that employees can use to help gauge the height of a robber as he/she leaves.
22. Develop a mutual aid system among stores on your block. Agree to watch others buildings and watch for suspicious activities.
23. Make deposits as often as possible, never less than once a day.
24. Greet all customers, this reduces their anonymity and lets potential robbers know you are paying attention.
25. Before closing, one person should check the office, back rooms and rest rooms to make sure no one are hiding in the building.