

# HOW MUCH DO YOU VALUE YOUR HANDBAG?



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**LES PICKPOCKETS** aiment opérer dans les foules. Vos effets personnels seront plus en sécurité si vous respectez les simples consignes suivantes:

- Veillez à garder votre sac à main bien fermé. Portez-le devant vous, le fermoir contre vous.
- Mettez votre portefeuille dans une poche à l'intérieur de votre veste, et non dans la poche arrière de votre pantalon.
- Lorsque vous attendez pour payer, ne tenez pas votre argent de façon ostensible.

Si vous êtes victime ou témoin d'un délit dans le Metro de Londres, appelez "British Transport Police" au numéro vert suivant: **0800 40 50 40**. Tous les appels sont strictement confidentiels.



**I BORSEGGIATORI** agiscono tra la folla. Tenete i vostri oggetti personali sicuri adottando le semplici regole che seguono:

- Assicuratevi che la vostra borsa sia ben chiusa. Tenetela con la chiusura rivolta verso di voi.
- Tenete il portafogli in una tasca interna, non in una tasca posteriore.
- Quando siete in attesa di pagare qualcosa fate in modo che il denaro non sia in vista.

Se siete vittima o testimone di un crimine commesso nella metropoli tana sotterranea di Londra telefonate Alla Polizia Britannica dei Trasporti (British Transport Police) al n. **0800 40 50 40**. Le telefonate sono assolutamente riservate.



**TASCHENDIEBE** arbeiten bevorzugt in Menschenmengen. Sie sichern ihr persönliches Eigentum am besten, wenn Sie sich an die folgenden Richtlinien halten:

- Lassen Sie Ihre Handtasche zu und den Reißverschluss geschlossen. Tragen Sie die Tasche vor dem Körper und achten Sie darauf, dass der Verschluss nach innen zeigt.
- Bewahren Sie Ihre Brieftasche in einer Innentasche auf und nicht in einer Gesäßtasche.
- Tragen Sie Ihr Geld nicht sichtbar in der Hand, wenn Sie etwas bezahlen wollen.

Falls sie Opfer oder zeuge einer kriminellen Handlung in der Londoner U-Bahn sind, rufen sie bitte die Britische Verkehrspolizei (British Transport Police) an unter: **0800 40 50 40**.

Anrufe werden streng vertraulich behandelt.



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National freephone number  
**0800 40 50 40**

This number is for non-emergency incidents.

# FEELING LEFT OUT OF POCKET?



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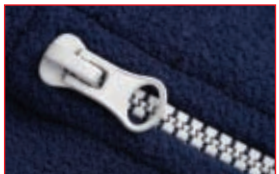
## Thieves like to operate in crowded places, but there are a few simple measures that you can take to reduce the chances of becoming a victim of theft.

Be especially vigilant at Underground and railway stations, airports, hotels, offices, bars/pubs and public phones - anywhere where queuing is necessary.



### HANDBAGS

- Keep your bag close to your body with fasteners facing towards you. Keep all zips closed.
- An open bag with visible valuables may make you a more likely target. Choose a handbag that can be fastened securely.



- If possible, place your wallet, purse or mobile phone in a zipped, buttoned or velcro pocket preferably on the inside of your coat, jacket or bag (which makes it harder for a thief to steal).

### MOBILE PHONES

- Always keep your phone out of sight in a pocket or bag when not in use.
- Try not to use your phone in crowded areas or places where you don't feel safe.
- Set your phone to vibrate if possible so that it attracts less attention and never leave it laying around.

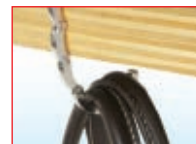


### USING A CASH MACHINE

- Be aware of your surroundings. If someone is crowding you or watching you, cancel the transaction and go to another machine.
- Do not accept help from "well-meaning" strangers and never allow yourself to be distracted.
- Stand close to the cash machine and always shield the keypad to avoid anyone seeing you enter your PIN.
- If your card is retained by a cash machine, inform your bank or building society immediately.
- Once you have completed a transaction, discreetly put your money and your card away before leaving the cash machine.

### BARS, PUBS, RESTAURANTS, CAFES, ETC.

- When out enjoying yourself, you are not always thinking about security. Alcohol and the occasion can sometimes make you drop your guard; a few simple measures could save you from having your evening ruined.
- Keep your bag where you can see it at all times. If the venue has table clips fitted, use them (these are sometimes known as Chelsea clips).
- Never place wallets, purses or phones on the table, always keep these items out of sight. Thieves do not always work alone and some will use distraction techniques to part you from your property.
- If you hang your jacket on the back of your chair, remove any valuables first.



### OYSTER CARDS

- Register your Oyster card. In the event of loss or theft it can be cancelled and replaced with your credit intact.
- If you use an Oyster card or travel card, consider keeping this separate from your bag as this will save you from continuously opening and closing your bag.



### LAPTOPS, BRIEFCASES & RUCKSACKS

- If you have to put your laptop, briefcase or rucksack down, place it between your legs where you can feel it at all times.



- When carrying your laptop, consider getting a padded sleeve and using a regular rucksack. This will make it less likely that you will be targeted by laptop thieves.
- Always password protect your PDAs and laptops. Remember, if it is stolen you will also lose all of the stored information.
- If you use a rucksack, never carry your phone, wallet or purse in the pockets as these are easily opened by thieves especially in crowded environments such as the Underground, buses, trains, etc.

