HOLDAY SHOPPING SAFETY TIPS

- 1. Do not leave purchased items visible in your vehicle. Place them in the trunk or cover them with a blanket or other object.
- 2. Always remember to lock your vehicle.
- 3. When shopping during the evening hours, park in a well-lit and heavy travelled area.
- 4. When possible avoid shopping alone.
- 5. If you are shopping with children have a plan in case you get separated.



- 6. Make sure your cell phone has full battery before leaving the house.
- 7. Carry a minimal amount of cash! Use debit/credit cards instead to make purchases.
- 8. Be aware of strangers approaching you for any reason and monitor your surroundings. If you see suspicious activity, notify the police, security or appropriate store personnel.
- 9. Do not leave your purse/wallet unattended for any amount of time.
- 10. If you are shopping online, make sure to only purchase products from verified websites.

Got a tip? Text 'BERGENTIP' anonymously to 274637 or 'CRIMES'

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