

# Bank Safety Tips



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# SAFETY AND SECURITY AT THE BANK

- Be aware of your surroundings at the ATM and report any suspicious activity to bank security or police
- Use only well-lighted ATMs that are free of shrubbery, decorative partitions or dividers that create blind spots
- Before using the ATM, look for card skimmers, damaged key pads or other indications the machine has been tampered with



- Watch for others who may be watching over your shoulder as you use the ATM or leave the bank

- If you are using a drive-up ATM, keep the engine running, lock your doors and watch your blind spots



- Do not count or display cash near the bank or ATM
- If after leaving the bank or ATM you believe you are being followed, drive immediately to a police station or crowded, well-lighted location

**If you are involved in a confrontation by an assailant who demands your money, do what is asked of you. Be a good witness and provide the following information to the police:**

- Gender
- Race
- Height
- Weight
- Hair color
- Eye color
- Approximate age
- Type, style and color of clothing
- Distinguishing marks, tattoos
- Vehicle description and license plate number
- Last known direction of travel

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