



Vacation tips

- 1- Be discreet about your going away. Avoid broadcasting your plans in public places.
- 2- Let someone you trust know of your whereabouts. It is a good idea to leave the key to your place with that person.
- 3- Inform your neighbours of anyone who is allowed access to your home during your absence and remind them to call 9-1-1 if they notice any suspicious activity around your house.
- 4- Before you leave, chain lock your BBQ and utility shed.
- 5- Set indoor lights and radio on electric timers.
- 6- Load your car early in the day without attracting attention.
- 7- Do not leave any messages on your door indicating your absence.
- 8- Ask a neighbour or a friend to pick up your newspapers, your mail and flyers every day while you are away.
- 9- Have the lawn mowed.
- 10- Ask a neighbour to park his car in your driveway..
- 11- Make sure that outside lights are on from dusk to dawn and off during the day.
- 12- Do not draw the shades for the duration of your holiday. Have them changed position from time to time.
- 13- Do not take your garbage out before you leave. Ask a neighbour to do so on the appropriate day. Why not ask him to “share” his garbage while you are away?
- 14- Make sure that your alarm system is functioning properly.



Your house must always have that “lived-in look”, especially when you are not home.

