Safe Travel (Tips for the Journey)

Take a few moments to discover how you can travel smart by being prepared for going through airport security, avoiding unnecessary delays, and contributing to the safety of all travellers.

- Label your luggage. Do not use your home address or business title. Luggage tags with flaps that hide your name and address are a smart idea. These steps will help protect your anonymity and thwart would-be thieves.

- Make an inventory of luggage contents and place it in your ticket jacket.

- Pack lightly. Travel with as little baggage as possible. Check with your airline to confirm how much you can bring.

- Limit your carry-on baggage. If you don’t think you’re going to need it on the flight, pack it in your checked baggage.

- Make photocopies of your photo ID and your credit cards. Leave a copy at home with someone.

- Leave a copy of contact names and your itinerary both at home and at work.

- Verify your ticket and check with the airline before you leave home to make sure that there haven’t been any changes to the flight schedule.

- Be aware of airport security procedures. Call or check the web sites of the airports you are travelling from and to, or speak to your airline.

- Wear comfortable, practical and appropriate footwear and clothing — sandals, t-shirts and shorts won’t keep you warm if you have to exit the plane in the cold.

- Arrive at the airport early. For international travel, arrive two to three hours before your scheduled departure time. Check with your airline to find out about check-in time allowances.