



PROJECT:
CRIME DURING THE
FESTIVE SEASON
(PART 3)
SAFETY IN
SHOPPING MALLS

Shopping malls play a central role in festive preparations, drawing in many visitors. It is critical to emphasise the need for a proactive approach to guarantee the well-being of shoppers, staff, and the community at large.

SSS continues to forewarn the public and advocates personal safety measures in place.

Please read our latest project regarding safety measures during the festive season:

<https://mikebh.link/tAAigo>

and

<https://mikebh.link/wYEFzr>

GENERAL RULES:

Non-negotiable guidelines for personal safety in shopping malls:

- Avoid being alone in high target stores around opening and closing times.
 - These stores are banks, jewellery stores, and cell phone stores.
- Be observant at all times.
- Be aware of shoppers around you and anyone following you in the parking area.
 - One right turn is a coincidence.
 - Two right turns cause suspicion.
 - Three right turns indicate that they are following you.
- Report any suspicious behaviour immediately to the shopping centre management, the information desk, or security staff.
- If robbers demand your vehicle or a personal item, hand it over immediately.
- Do not confront anyone yourself unless you are professionally trained to handle such situations.
- Do not wear expensive jewellery, shoes, or handbags when shopping.
- Use a sling bag across your body and always keep it zipped up.
 - Men should wear their wallets in an inside pocket and not in a trouser pocket.
- Never place your cell phone in your trouser pocket.
 - Do not place your cell phone, purse, or wallet on a counter.
 - Ensure your cell phone is fully charged.
 - Do not get distracted by messages or texting because a distracted target is a vulnerable target.
 - Do not use public WIFI in shopping malls because some hotspots do not encrypt wireless data, which may lead to identity theft.
- Presume that you are being watched.
 - Thieves do their homework and are acutely aware of every opportunity that presents itself.
- Various syndicates focus on high-end valuables such as Rolex watches, cell phones, cash withdrawals, etc.
- Do not carry too much cash with you at any time.
- Never withdraw copious amounts of cash at ATMs or inside the bank.
 - Thieves have informers standing around high-target stores or working in banks, relaying information.
- Human Trafficking syndicates target shopping malls during this time of the year:
 - If possible, do not take your small children to malls.

- Do not leave your teenagers unsupervised at shopping malls for extended periods.
 - Children with cell phones should be forewarned of the dangers at shopping malls and should keep their phone's "live locations" on.
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SHOPPING MALL PARKING LOTS:

- Always park in a well-lit area, as close to the entrance as possible.
 - When parking at a shopping mall, make sure to double-check that your car is locked to prevent remote control through car-jamming devices.
 - Show your children where the security guards are so they know where to get help if they get lost.
 - Ensure your children know your cell phone number.
 - Have a set meeting point in a public space if you get separated.
 - When leaving a store, make sure to have your car keys in your hand before heading to your car.
 - When you return to your car, be aware of your surroundings.
 - Do not walk directly to your car when leaving the store.
 - Instead, walk up to your car at a right angle to better view your surroundings.
 - If you suspect you are being followed, do not drive directly home, go to the nearest police station instead.
 - Do not place your shopping bags on the back seat of the car. Instead, place them in the trunk. By doing so, you can avoid inviting a smash-and-grab with visible bags on your back seat or on the empty passenger seat.
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DRIVING HOME FROM THE SHOPPING MALL:

- It is important to be cautious when leaving a mall, as there have been reports of robberies occurring outside the parking area and during your drive home.
- Informers are known to provide information to robbers and hijackers about potential targets outside malls.
- Be aware of your surroundings and ensure that you are not being followed.
- Use your rear-view mirrors to keep an eye on anyone suspicious and, if necessary, drive directly to the nearest police station before stopping anywhere else.

We will post more projects regarding personal safety in the following days.

It is imperative to stay vigilant and aware of your surroundings. Your vehicle and the expensive gifts you bought are not worth your life and your family.

Visit our Facebook page and our website for other current projects:

- <https://www.facebook.com/MikeBolhuisOfficial>
 - <http://www.mikebolhuis.co.za>
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Specialised Security Services invites the public to the Mike Bolhuis Daily Projects WhatsApp Group.

We have decided to close the previous WhatsApp channel to avoid any duplication and to centralise our efforts.

This group is important in delivering insights into the latest crime trends, awareness, warnings and the exposure of criminals.

HOW TO JOIN THE MIKE BOLHUIS DAILY PROJECTS WHATSAPP GROUP:

- Simply follow the link to our dedicated WhatsApp group: <https://chat.whatsapp.com/Ew1H1dbUR988qoG8gei2sE>

- Hit the "FOLLOW" button to ensure you never miss our daily updates.
- Tap on the "BELL" icon to receive instant notifications whenever a new post is placed.
- Please share this with family, friends and colleagues.

***ALL INFORMATION RECEIVED WITH REGARD
TO THE PROJECTS WILL BE TREATED IN THE
STRICTEST CONFIDENTIALITY AND
EVERY IDENTITY WILL BE PROTECTED.***

You may forward this document.

Regards,

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EXTREMELY IMPORTANT: All potential clients need to be aware that owing to the nature of our work as specialist investigators there are people who have been caught on the wrong side of the law - who are trying to discredit me - Mike Bolhuis and my organisation Specialised Security Services - to get themselves off the hook.

This retaliation happens on social media and creates doubt about our integrity and ability. Doubt created on social media platforms is both unwarranted and untrue.

We strongly recommend that you make up your minds concerning me and our organisation only after considering all the factual information - to the exclusion of hearsay and assumptions.

Furthermore, you are welcome to address your concerns directly with me should you still be unsatisfied with your conclusions. While the internet provides a lot of valuable information, it is also a platform that distributes a lot of false information. The distribution of false information, fake news, slander and hate speech constitutes a crime that can be prosecuted by law. Your own research discretion and discernment are imperative when choosing what and what not to believe.

STANDARD RULES APPLY: Upon appointment, we require a formal mandate with detailed instructions. Please take note that should you not make use of our services – you may not under any circumstance use my name or the name of my organisation as a means to achieve whatever end.

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