

# CARD SECURITY



FIRST PRINCIPLE

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## Top Tips

- Limit the number of cards you carry
- Keep your PIN safe
- Use a different PIN for each card
- Keep a note of your card providers emergency number
- Cover keypads when you use them
- Watch out for skimming devices

PREVENT CRIME

PROTECT COMMUNITIES



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**Card security is important to stop thieves stealing your money and/or your identity.**

- Only carry the cards you intend to use. Leave any that are not used regularly in a secure place at home.
- Keep your card PINs (Personal Identification Number) secure and if possible, don't store them anywhere.
- If you have to keep a record of your number, don't make the number obvious and do not keep it with your card in your purse/wallet, handbag, diary, mobile phone or handheld organizer.
- Always have a different PIN for each of your cards.
- Keep a note of your bank's lost and stolen emergency telephone number in case you need to report your card missing and add these numbers to your mobile phone in case you're away. Also include the international code.
- When using a chip and PIN device ensure you cover the keypad so other people cannot see the PIN.
- Guard against card skimming! Skimming occurs when someone passes your card through a small device which records all your card details. Skimming or cloning often occurs when the cardholder is not looking.
- Remember to always keep sight of your card, particularly in restaurants and insist you visit the counter to pay or have a member of staff to attend your table with a handheld machine.



## First Principle: Related links

Check out all of our Crime Prevention information using the following links or by using the QR code to take you to the First Principle Pages Alternatively go to our website at <https://www.suffolk.police.uk/> and look in the 1<sup>st</sup> Principle A-Z of Crime Prevention.

Allotment Security  
Anti-Social Behaviour  
ATM Security  
Beach Hut Security  
Boat Security  
Building Site Security  
Business Security  
Caravan Security  
Caravan Storage  
Card Security  
Catalytic Converters  
Church Security  
Cold Callers  
Commercial CCTV  
Counterfeit Banknotes  
County Lines Advice  
for Landlords  
Cyber Crime  
Cycle Security  
Dangerous Dogs  
Dog Fouling  
Dog Theft  
Domestic CCTV  
Domestic Violence  
Farm Security  
Fraud Prevention  
Grooming  
Hate Crime

Heating Oil  
Home Improvements  
Home Security  
Home Security for  
Tenants  
Horses and Stables  
Keyless Vehicles  
Key Safe Security  
Lock Snapping  
Mopeds and Scooters  
Motorcycle Security  
Neighbour Disputes  
Occupiers Liability  
Personal Security  
Power Tool Security  
Products Brochure  
Rural Crime  
Security Alarms  
Sheds and Garages  
Social Media  
Social Media for  
Parents  
Suspicious Behaviour  
Shoplifting  
Taxi Driver Safety  
Vehicle Security  
Windows and Doors



### Other Links you might find helpful

Ask the Police  
Secured by Design  
Sold Secure

Crimestoppers  
0800 555 111

Victim Care  
0300 303 3705