

## Shooting Safety Tips

<http://www.krages.com/ThePhotographersRight.pdf>

<http://www.jpgmag.com/>

••Minimize the gear you carry, body, lens, keep it simple••

- Shoot with a point and shoot or toy camera
- If you need additional lenses, flash etc. Carry a non-camera bag. Try a backpack something that will not advertise, steal me...
- Change out that canon or nikon strap to a no name strap, no need to advertise what you are carrying.
- Insure your camera gear.

Leave your jewels at home.

Dress appropriately for your environment.

Don't stand out. Dress to blend in.

Talk to some people, not others. A smile, a hello, will take you far. If people don't want their picture taken move on to the next. Avoid confrontation, walk or run away.

Go back frequently, let people get used to your presence, get to know the locals, that will open doors.

-Shoot with a buddy, don't go alone

-Money, wallet in front pocket.

-Pepper Spray?

-If you are afraid of where you are photographing, you should not be there.

-You should always be aware of your surroundings, caution is common sense.

Be non-confrontational, respectful, confident and aware of your surrounding if you feel uncomfortable, move on.

**Be Confident.** Don't be reading your map. Study your map before you head out. Look like you know where you are and what you are doing. Exude confidence.

-Do you want to exploit your subject or humanize your subject?

*Share understanding and decency when photographing a person.*

-Assess the situation, shoot, talk - talk shoot?

-Pick a spot let the people come to you. -Position yourself.

-Have a plan, what do you want to say, shoot with passion

-Action.

-The decisive moment.

-Who, What, When, Where, Why?

-Characters.

-Get close, get out of the car, put the telephoto lens away, bring out the wide angle.

-Take your camera with you all the time.

-Shoot more.

-Smile, people will open up to you.

-Think about foreground, middle ground and background...

-Be prepared.

-Compose the shot.

-Frame images with elements found in the scene.

-Know your gear, expressions are fleeting, opportunities move quickly.

look up

look down

photograph the alphabet

picture within a picture

a picture a day

Get Close...

## Camera Safety Storage Solutions

**Copied and pasted from the website. These are the next things on my to buy list. some of you might find this interesting**

If you end up in situations where you are forced to leave your camera gear in your vehicle, you should consider one of several new camera security bags that have been released on the market. Some of those include the DuffelSafe 100, DaySafe 100 or 200, along with the new Console Vault.

**The DuffelSafe 100 by Pac-Safe is the largest portable, camera security bag on the market today;** large enough to secure several cameras, lens, and related gear in one bag. The bag is equipped with 3 anti-theft design features and multiple carrying options. The DuffelSafe features a patented eXo-mesh security system which is slash proof high-tensile stainless steel mesh, laminated between the inner and outer layers of the bag. This flexible steel mesh protects the bag from being slashed open by knives.

That's only half the security. The Duffel Safe 100 locks closed using a 30mm brass padlock that prevents anything from being removed from the bag. But it's the security locking cable that provides the best security layer. Once the bag in "cinched" shut, the bag has a built-in locking cable which allows it to be secured (physically locked) to a secure object in the trunk, or frame of your car seat. The locking cable is a heavy duty plastic coated, 4 mm high-tensile stainless steel cable. The security cable zips neatly away when not in use. This bag provides a great layer of protection for you gear, in a size that should accommodate a multitude of camera gear. For more info on the Duffel Safe 100, and other camera security bags, please check out the products listed at — [www.corporatetravelsafety.com](http://www.corporatetravelsafety.com)

[http://www.corporatetravelsafety.com/catalog/product\\_info.php?products\\_id=252&osCsid=a37a5d8cd561e96319a3dbf06490d690](http://www.corporatetravelsafety.com/catalog/product_info.php?products_id=252&osCsid=a37a5d8cd561e96319a3dbf06490d690)

**Another option is the Innersafe 19L which is a unique bag in its own right. Imagine having the ability to use your own day pack, or other bag for that matter, and converting it into a mobil safe. That's what the innersafe does. As a matter of fact it is the same security safe included with the DaySafe 200. You simply slide the InnerSafe into your own bag which then provides your gear with with eXomesh protection. The bag also has the security cable that allows you to secure the bag to a stationary device.**

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