

Personal Safety & Risk Management in Latin America A Quick Overview

LOST PASSPORT

DO

- STAY CALM
- RE-CHECK BELONGINGS
- SECURE REMAINING DOCUMENTS
- FILE POLICE REPORT
- CONTACT EMBASSY
- USE DIGITAL COPIES

DON'T

- PANIC
- BRIBE
- TRAVEL UNDOCUMENTED

PICKPOCKETING / THEFT

DO

- GET TO A SAFE PLACE
- CANCEL CARDS
- LOCK PHONE
- NOTE DETAILS

DON'T

- CHASE
- CONFRONT
- ESCALATE

POLICE ENCOUNTERS

DO

- STAY RESPECTFUL
- ASK WHY YOU'RE STOPPED
- SHOW COPIES FIRST
- FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS

DON'T

- ARGUE
- FILM
- JOKE OR BRIBE

HEALTH ISSUES

DO

- STOP ACTIVITY
- HYDRATE & REST
- INFORM SOMEONE
- SEEK HELP EARLY

DON'T

- IGNORE SYMPTOMS
- PUSH THROUGH PAIN
- SELF-DIAGNOSE

CORE RULES

- BLEND IN
- MANAGE VALUABLES
- CONTROL ALCOHOL
- TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS
- EXIT EARLY, NOT LATE