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## Pokémon Go Safety Guide

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We know children and adults are probably going to play this game so here is a safety guide to keep in mind so you stay as safe as possible.

- Only go to **safe and secure locations that are familiar to you.**
- **Criminals** are deploying *Pokéstop* to **target unsuspecting victims with lures.**
- **Do not go into private properties or police stations since this causes a security breach.** If you are popping up behind cars and bushes you may be treated as a threat or criminal. FYI – mindlessly barging into a police station (this has happened) is NOT a good idea. Trespassing is illegal, but this could be the least of your worries.
- **Downloading this App may be an additional tracking risk as well.** Via the GPS in your smartphone, *Pokémon Go* can gather a lot of things about you based on your movement as you play: where you go, timeframes of the places you've

been, how you got there, how long you stayed, and who else was there. Yes, your phone may already do some of this, but do you want to enhance that tracking more?

- **Only look at your phone when you are not moving and pay attention to the people and environment around you.** A lack of situational awareness skills are responsible for a high percentage of Emergency Room visits.
- **Don't EVER play *Pokémon Go* while you are driving a vehicle** (which is against the law in most states), **riding a bike or skateboarding**, since this is obviously extremely dangerous.
- Remember that psychopaths and sociopaths make up to 1-4% of the general population. That equates to 3-12 million sociopaths/psychopaths in America alone. **So be very mindful and aware of the strangers you are standing right next to when you are distracted on *Pokémon Go*.**
- **If a young child is playing this game, then be certain an adult is with them since some children have wandered off and gotten lost.**
- **Play this game with a minimum of two or in groups of people you know.** This App incentivizes players to meet complete strangers at a certain location and this is not safe, breaking situational awareness and safety training principles.



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- **Avoid suspicious places** at all cost such as wooded areas, alleyways, and homes.
- **Stop to catch your Pokemon**, then flick the ball. This is a time that can be very unsafe.
- **The phone will buzz when a Pokemon is near so don't always look at the screen.**
- **Be courteous** with where you are playing especially if it's a business, museums or church and respect their environment.
- **Play in well-lit areas only.**
- **Set boundaries** of where you can play.
- **Beware of scams** to buy things for Pokemon.
- **Remember to be mindful of your battery on your phone since the GPS drains the battery quickly** and then you will be left with a phone that doesn't work at all.

## What to do if you are aware someone is following you:

**Move away** from the person as quickly as possible. **Speed up**, and if they keep your same pace then you know they are following you.

Try to **find other people**. If you are with others you will be less of a target.

**Dial 911** immediately, but keep moving while doing this.

**Yell and draw as much attention** as you can.

**Fight** if the person grabs you, and **NEVER GIVE UP**.

*"Remember that you are in the real world and unlike Pokemon Go you don't get extra lives. Protect your life it's the only one you have!"*

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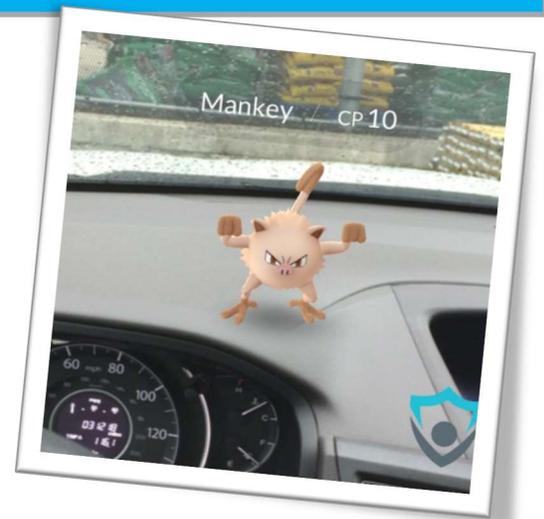
## What to do if you get lost:

Make sure your child knows their **address and phone number**.

Stay on a **well-traveled area** and never take a short cut. Try to find a business, church or police station.

If you need to **ask for help** and you have the option of asking a male or female then ask the female for help.

**Don't get in the car with a stranger**. Have your parents pick you up at your location.



Our warning is to use *Pokémon Go* at your own **RISK**:

**R-Really hazardous**

**I-Injurious**

**S-Security Issues**

**K-Know the directions to your local ER!**



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