Watch Out for Purse Snatchers!

Seven easy rules to ward off theft

- Never store your bank card together with your PIN!
- Always carry your money, important documents, credit cards, etc. close to your body. It is best to use a closed inside pocket.
- Keep handbags and shoulder bags shut and carry them in front of you and against your chest or tightly clamped under your arm.
- Don’t ever leave luggage and valuables unattended. Keep handbags and jackets containing wallets in sight.
- You should be suspicious if someone bumps into you or if someone does something that results in soiling your clothes (like bumping into you and spilling ketchup on your clothes) – it could be a ploy!
- Carry your backpack in front of you in crowded areas. Wallets or valuables like mobile phones should never be stored in exterior pockets.
- If you should become aware that your money, mobile phone, or other valuable is missing, contact the police immediately (e.g.: the federal police in the Munich main train station – located at track/platform 26)

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Important Telephone Numbers

Federal Police Inspection Munich:
+49 89 515550-111
Police (Wiesnwache): +49 89 500-32-20
Emergency: 112

Fest Management: +49 89 233-82801
Security Point for children and women: +49 89 8905745188
Lost and Found: +49 89 233-82835

Taxi: +49 89 21610 or +49 89 19410
Munich Traffic Association: +49 89 41424344

For a safe Oktoberfest!

Security Tips from the German Federal Police for rail travellers

Federal Police Inspection Munich
Arnulfstraße 1a, 80335 Munich
(Entrance at Track/Platform 26)
Tel.: +49 89 515550-111
Avoid Crime, Get Help!

**What to Do If Confronted With Violence**

Do what you can to avoid violence before it begins. Don’t ever let a situation escalate into a confrontation!

Don’t go out alone. Use well-trafficked streets.

In dangerous situations, self-confidence, assertive body language, or yelling loudly can help.

Ask specific bystanders or passersby for help! For example: “Hello, you in the black jacket – please help me!” Or – “Hello, you in the brown suit – call the police!”

**Be Considerate!**

**Keep level-headed when using public transportation**

When arriving at the stop “Hackerbrücke”, be prepared for large crowds of people during rush hours.

Be considerate of others and always follow the orders of the train personnel.

The German Federal Police will maintain a constant presence during the operating hours of the street car (S-Bahn) at the “Hackerbrücke” for your security.

Stay behind the security line at the edge of the train platforms! Do not underestimate the danger of the “pull effect” caused by passing trains!

Cross the tracks only at the designated places!

Convict Criminals!

**Support police investigations**

We need witnesses in order to prosecute criminals. If you are a witness to a crime, come forward and contact the police. Your statement can be crucial.

Crime victims should always file charges with the police. Help the police in their investigation to find criminals and prevent future crimes.

**How to Help In Dangerous Situations!**

**What to do if violence escalates**

If a dangerous situation escalates into a violent one, do not take action and do not go near the perpetrator! Notify the police as soon as possible!

You can help at the scene of a crime by calling loudly and persistently for help.

Make eye contact with the victim. Yell loudly: “I’ll help you! I’m going to call the police!”

In case of emergency while using public transportation, pull the emergency brake.

Help even if you have to gather your courage and even if your efforts will take additional time. Perhaps you will also need help one day.

Be Careful at the ATMs!

**Tips for safely withdrawing money**

Do not become distracted or involved in a discussion while withdrawing money. Terminate a transaction if anything seems suspicious to you (e.g., a broken or detached keypad, an altered card slot, or even suspicious people). Inform the police immediately!

Opening Hours and Directions

**How to get here**

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The Oktoberfest is open from 10.00 a.m. until 11:30 p.m., “Käfers Wiesenschänke” and “Weinzelt” are open until 1:00 a.m. (Last call is at 12:15 a.m.).

At the weekends, the fest tents are often already closed at midday due to overcrowding.

You can find the fest grounds by taking the underground lines 4 & 5 (U4, U5), exit at “Theresienwiese” or “Schwanthalerhöhe”, or take the street cars (“SBahn”) S1 - S8, exit at “Hackerbrücke”.

From the main train station, the festival “Oktoberfest” can be reached on foot about 15 minutes.

Give Back the Beer Steins!

**Theft will be prosecuted**

Beer steins are the property of the various breweries. Some can be purchased (look for the coloured posters). Theft of these steins is generally prosecuted.

Police officers can confiscate steins when they are being carried by people who pose a threat.