

Vacation Safety Tips

1. Stop the mail and newspaper or have a neighbor collect them for you daily.
2. If you have an alarm system on your home, make sure it is set properly. Also make sure someone has a key and access to turn off the alarm in case of an emergency while you are away.
3. Use a timer to turn lights on and off to give the impression that someone is home.
4. Turn on your answering machine so that the phone does not continuously ring. Do not leave a message on the machine that you are away on vacation.
5. While on the road drive defensively and watch out for other drivers.
6. Always have a map, flashlight, at least ½ tank of gas and a cellular phone if possible when traveling.
7. The Oakboro Police Department will check your house daily while you are on vacation. Call 704-485-4214 and ask about our “House Check” service.