



Prevent Think Life Safety

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Safety When On The Town

Your personal safety should not stop when you leave home. When you go out on the town to restaurants or clubs, you must always be vigilant of your own safety. It's hard to believe that tragedies can occur in public buildings in this day and age. However, in Rhode Island, the Station Night Club fire of 2003 took 100 lives. No one entered that building on that fateful night expecting to die.

You can control your risk to a great extent. Consider the following tips:

- Exits – Know two ways out. Most people try to leave through the same door in which they entered. Almost everyone comes in through the same door. By knowing where alternative exits are located, you can enhance your ability to escape. There isn't always safety in numbers.
- What Exit? – If you can't find a lighted sign showing a second exit, it may not be properly posted. If that's the case, the business may not be meeting all of the fire codes designed to keep you safe. Consider talking to management or taking your business elsewhere.
- Bottoms Up – Drinking often contributes to bad situations. If you drink, drink responsibly and be able to react to an emergency.
- Report Problems – If you patronize a business that you feel isn't keeping your safety in mind, you can report them to the local fire marshal's office. They are legally obligated to meet the codes that keep you, the employees, and all citizens in and around their business safe.
- Your Safety Is Your Responsibility!