



STAYING SAFE AT SCHOOLIES

Stay safe and watch your mates

Stick together

Stay safe at Schoolies by sticking together with your mates.

- Always go out with at least one other person you know.
- Ask a volunteer to walk you back to your hotel or accommodation.
- Organise a meeting point, in case you get separated from your friends.
- Make sure your friends know who you want them to call in an emergency.
- Always carry enough money for a phone call, taxi or public transport. It's a good idea to keep credit on your phone and \$20 stashed away somewhere safe.
- Always carry photo ID.
- It may sound silly, but make sure you know where you're staying. Every year the volunteers who walk schoolies back to their hotel report stories of people who didn't know where they were staying.
- If you sense danger from someone or some place, trust your instincts and leave immediately.

- If someone pays you unwanted attention move to another area or get help from a friend, volunteer, security or police officer.
- If a friend is acting strangely, or unable to control themselves because they have drunk too much or have taken something harmful, get them medical attention. Do not leave them with a stranger who may take advantage of them.

Staying in touch

Before you leave for Schoolies, it's important to talk to your parents or carer about your plans.

- Set a time each day for them to call you and give them a friend's mobile number in case yours isn't charged. Make sure they don't call too early! After 12 years of school you'll want to sleep in.
- Let them know who you're staying with and where you're staying.