# Safety and security

Maintaining a safe and secure workplace is a critical aspect of working in the exploration geophysics industry. This page provides information and resources on how to maintain safety and security in the workplace, covering topics such as travel safety, workplace safety, equipment safety, event and meeting guidelines, and emergency management and response. By prioritizing safety and security, workers can help ensure a healthy and productive workplace environment for themselves and their colleagues. This page serves as a gateway to subpages that provide more detailed information on specific safety and security topics relevant to the exploration geophysics industry.

The Safety & Security page is divided into 9 main sections

* Travel safety international & US: This page provides information and resources on travel safety, including guidelines on traveling to international and US destinations.
* Diversity & Inclusion travel consideration: This page focuses specifically on travel safety concerns for women, LGBTQ+ individuals, or other gender-specific travel concerns.
* Workplace safety: This page covers workplace safety guidelines and best practices, including topics such as hazard identification, risk assessments, personal protective equipment, and incident reporting and investigation. It also covers workplace safety regulations and standards specific to the exploration geophysics industry.
* Equipment safety: This page focuses specifically on guidelines and best practices for equipment safety, including guidelines on equipment inspections, maintenance, and usage.
* Guidelines for SEG events & members: This page provides guidelines for safe and secure SEG events and meetings, including information on event security, emergency management, and attendee safety.
* Emergency management & response: This page covers emergency management and response guidelines, including information on emergency preparedness, response planning, and incident management
* Active shooter response plan: This page covers active shooter response plan
* Digital security: cybersecurity & fraud prevention: cybersecurity and fraud prevention: This page covers topics such as personal security, online safety, fraud prevention, and data protection.

We hope that this Safety and security page will be a valuable resource for workers in the exploration geophysics industry, providing information and resources to help create a safe and secure workplace.

## **Travel safety international & US:** Whether you're traveling for business or pleasure, it's important to be aware of potential risks and take steps to protect yourself. This subpage provides information and resources to help you stay safe and secure while traveling to international and US destinations. It provides information on common travel risks and how to mitigate them, such as theft, transportation safety, natural disasters, and health risks.

SEG Travel safety guidelines: International Trips for World Citizens

Safety & Travel Advice and Requirements include link here:

Access essential global travel insights through the UNWTO Tourism Dashboard. Get key statistics on tourist arrivals, source markets, and COVID-19 impact. This resource offers a comprehensive view of travel restrictions, recovery efforts, and policy measures, empowering informed decision-making for safer travel.

## **Diversity & Inclusion travel considerations:** Traveling can present unique challenges for women, LGBTQ+ individuals, and other marginalized groups. This subpage provides information and resources on gender-specific travel risks and how to mitigate them, as well as tips for staying safe and comfortable while traveling.

**Travel safety for women:** In many countries in the world the risks for females and males differ. Some of these differences are cultural, some are biological and some reflect the variations in physical size. It’s important to get current advice from recent travelers, preferably female, to all countries that you plan to visit.

Here are a few considerations women should take before traveling:

* **Appropriate behavior and attire:** Check on appropriate behavior and female dress for business attire, visiting sacred places, use in the ocean, swimming pools and saunas. These may vary with your home country and its relation to the foreign country. Avoid display of valuable jewelry, watches and phones. Behavior should include make up, chewing gum, alcohol and tobacco use.
* **Hormone-Based Drugs and Dietary Supplements**: Check on the availability and legality of hormone-based drugs and dietary supplements. If you need items that are unavailable then back them up by taking extra with you and if possible pack them separately from your prime supply. Check on female hygiene products too.
* **Invasive Security Checks and Accommodation:** On arriving in a new country, it may be necessary to pass an invasive security check. If so then ask it to be performed by another female. On checking in to your accommodation, try to use your last name with your first name initial if allowed. Ask if there are any specific rules for females.
* **Taxi Safety and Public Restrooms:** Be extra careful with use of taxis by getting colleagues or trustable staff to order specific taxis and their drivers. Be extra careful using public restrooms, try to accompany other females, or ask staff for the safest choice. They may let you use a staff facility. Walking after sunset may be dangerous. The risks may be mitigated by being part of a group and more so if it includes males.

The U.S. Department of State provides valuable information and resources for women travelers, offering insights into gender-specific considerations and travel safety guidelines (Source: <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations/women-travelers.html>)

**Travel safety for LGBTQ+:** Traveling as an LGBTQ individual has its own set of challenges, whether you're in places that support LGBTQ rights or in areas where discrimination is more common. The LGBTQ Guide to Travel Safety by editors "Mad About World" is a comprehensive resource offering insights into safety and security, LGBTQ-specific resources, travel etiquette, connectivity, social engagement, considerations for diverse travelers, traveling while trans, and global human rights advocacy. This guide equips LGBTQ travelers with valuable information to navigate their journeys safely, confidently, and with a strong focus on inclusivity. (Source: The LGBTQ Guide to Travel Safety: <https://slb001.sharepoint.com/sites/SEGHSSECommittee/Shared%20Documents/Forms/AllItems.aspx?FolderCTID=0x01200090E0960DDDB82145A5747BE1FD94CB06&id=%2Fsites%2FSEGHSSECommittee%2FShared%20Documents%2FGeneral%2FFiles%20for%20Wiki%2FLGBTQ%20%2D%20Guide%20to%20Travel%20Safely%2Epdf&viewid=de9200c0%2D89ae%2D4bb5%2D805b%2D449524151053&parent=%2Fsites%2FSEGHSSECommittee%2FShared%20Documents%2FGeneral%2FFiles%20for%20Wiki>)

## **Workplace safety:** Creating a safe and healthy work environment is essential for the well-being of employees and the success of the organization. This subpage provides information and resources on workplace safety, including common hazards and best practices for preventing accidents and injuries.

## **Equipment safety:** Equipment is an essential part of many SEG members' work, but it can also pose significant safety risks if not used and maintained properly. This subpage provides information and resources on equipment safety, including best practices for using, maintaining, and storing equipment to minimize risks. It also provides information on how to prevent accidents and injuries related to equipment use and how to respond to equipment-related emergencies.

## **Guidelines for SEG events & members:** SEG events provide valuable opportunities for networking, learning, and collaboration, but they also require careful planning and execution to ensure the safety and security of all participants. This subpage provides guidelines and resources for organizing safe and successful SEG events, as well as information for SEG members on how to stay safe and secure at events.

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**Emergency management & response:** Emergencies can happen anywhere, anytime, and being prepared to respond is essential for minimizing harm and ensuring a swift recovery. This subpage provides information and resources on emergency preparedness and response, including planning for emergencies, responding to different types of emergencies, and managing the aftermath. It also provides resources for emergency response, such as first aid, evacuation, and crisis communication.

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## **Digital security: cybersecurity and fraud prevention:** In today's digital age, cyber security is more important than ever. Ensuring that your personal information and data are secure is essential for protecting yourself and your organization from potential harm. The Digital security page provides information and resources on how to maintain security and protect against cyber threats and fraudulent activities in the exploration geophysics industry. This page covers topics such as personal security, online safety, fraud prevention, and data protection. By prioritizing cybersecurity and fraud prevention, workers can help ensure a safe and secure workplace environment for themselves and their colleagues. This page serves as a gateway to subpages that provide more detailed information on specific cybersecurity and fraud prevention topics relevant to the exploration geophysics industry.

<https://www.who.int/about/cyber-security>

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