

Preparation before a Showing or Photos!

SELLERS should be counseled on protecting their valuables before photographs are taken and home showings are conducted. Some items should be hidden from plain sight, while others may be better off shredded, moved to another location or placed in a safe deposit box at a nearby bank.

THINGS NOT TO BE LEFT OUT!

- **JEWELRY**
- **ANTIQUES**
- **MEDICATIONS**
- **CASH & CHECKS**
- **BILLS WITH ACCOUNT NUMBERS**
- **BANK STATEMENTS THAT INCLUDE IMAGES OF CLEARED CHECKS**
- **PHOTOS THAT ARE TOO PERSONAL**
- **SPARE KEYS**
- **PERSONAL DOCUMENTS SUCH AS SOCIAL SECURITY CARDS AND PASSPORTS**
- **BRIEFCASES, PURSES, COMPUTER BAGS**
- **SMALL ELECTRONICS, SUCH AS IPODS, IPADS, AND LAPTOPS**

SELLERS should be told that hiding valuables in the home does not protect them. Buyers frequently open cupboard doors and look in freezers, in closets and under beds. Some may go further and look in dressers, even though they shouldn't.

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