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Is your mobile device fit for the holidays?

Not long to go until the summer holidays now. To enjoy a completely relaxing holiday, protect your mobile device and any data stored on it.

For many people, summertime means holiday time. And your smartphone or tablet will no doubt come along for the ride, too – for use as your camera, route planner, hiking map, purse and mobile computer for surfing the Internet or e-banking.

To avoid unpleasant surprises, you should prepare your mobile devices for your holidays:

Make a back-up

Your devices could get lost or damaged on holiday. Back up your data before you leave, just in case.

Further information (https://www.ebas.ch/en/1-backing-up-data/)

Update operating system and apps

Outdated software is often prone to vulnerabilities, making it easy for attackers to take control of a device. Install the latest version of your OS and all apps.

Further information (https://www.ebas.ch/en/3-preventing-with-software-updates/)

Activate screen lock

With tablets and smartphones, the risk of loss or theft is considerably greater than with your home PC. Make sure to activate your automatic screen lock via code, password, fingerprint or face recognition on all mobile devices. Further information (https://www.ebas.ch/en/4-protecting-online-access/)

Install antivirus app

Malware is ever-present on mobile devices, too. There is an even higher risk of infection when travelling. Make absolutely sure to use an antivirus app on your Android device.

Further information (https://www.ebas.ch/en/2-monitoring-with-antivirus-software-and-firewall/)

Install banking app

To also do your banking on the go, install your financial institution's mobile banking app, if available, from the official store. Activate or set this up before you leave. To check on your account on the go, you can also activate messages/notifications (e. g. via SMS) for any account movements.

Further information (https://www.ebas.ch/en/mobile-banking-app/)

Also: Remember to take the right travel adaptor for your charger, and to activate your data roaming option, if applicable.

Further tips on how to securely use your mobile devices away from home can be found here: https://www.ebas.ch/en/holidays-trips/)