

# Safe Deposit Box Checklist

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- Items that Should Go into a Safe Deposit Box
  - Originals of your insurance policies.
  - Family records such as birth, marriage and death certificates.
  - Original deeds, titles, mortgages, leases and other contracts.
  - Stocks, bonds and certificates of deposit.
  - Special jewels.
  - Medals.
  - Rare stamps and other collectibles.
  - Negatives for irreplaceable photos.
  - Videos or pictures of your home's contents for insurance purposes.
  - Business records such as articles of incorporation, trademark and copyright paperwork.
- Items that Should NOT Go into a Safe Deposit Box
  - Originals of a "power of attorney".
  - Passports.
  - Medical-care directives.
  - Funeral or burial instructions you make.