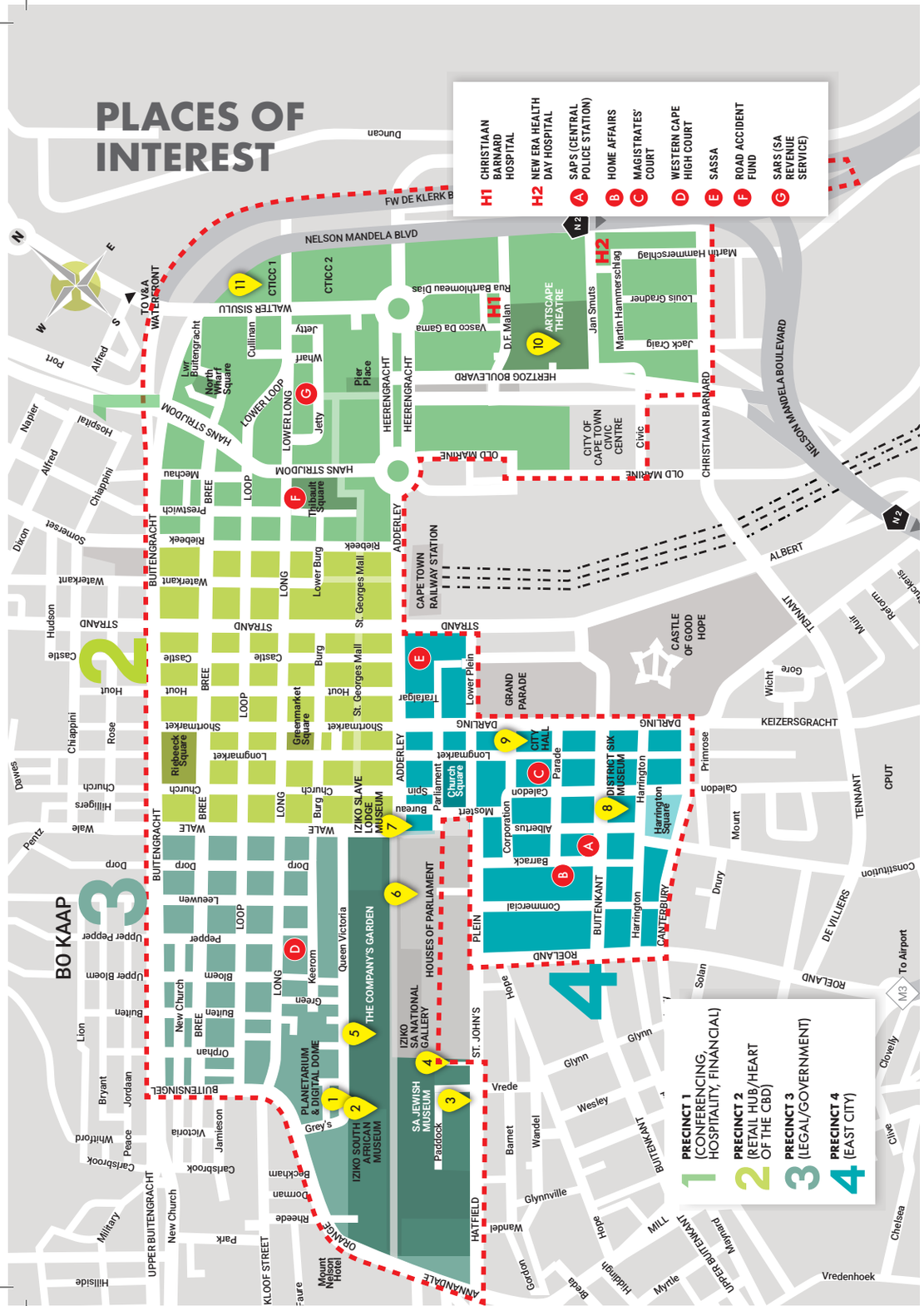


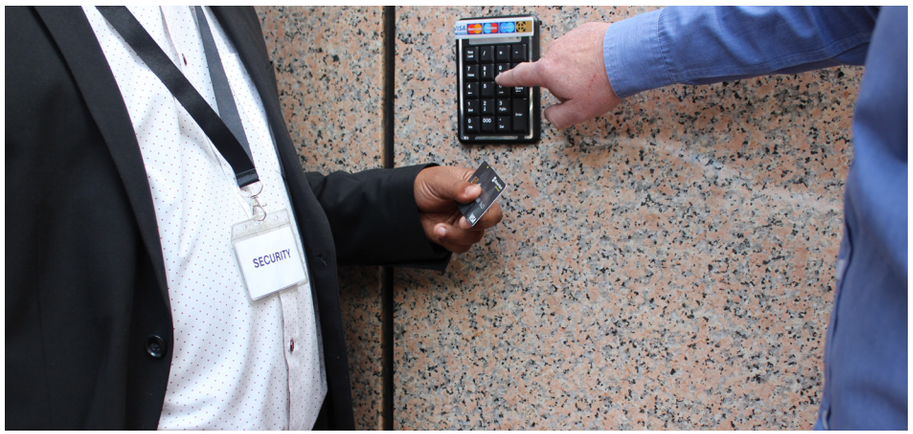
STROLL SMART, STAY SHARP

Tips for a safe visit to the Cape Town CBD

Cape Town CCID

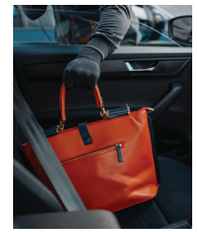
BE WISE, STAY SAFE

- You do NOT need a permit to walk anywhere in the Cape Town CBD! If someone tries to convince you that you do, you're being scammed!
- Credit card fraudsters pose as security guards or tourism officials in the city centre. They stop visitors and insist they need a permit to walk in the street.
- These criminals then offer to "issue" the permit, and lead unsuspecting tourists to a secluded area where they've stuck a fake numeric device (like a calculator) onto the wall of a building. They then ask for a bank card and invite the person to punch in their PIN. Once this is done, they swiftly make off with the bank card and within seconds start withdrawing funds from the person's account. Don't be fooled! It's a scam.
- If you're withdrawing money at an ATM, don't let anyone distract you; always ensure no one can see your PIN. Be alert.



STASH BEFORE YOU DASH

- Don't leave valuables in your vehicle in full view of passers-by.
- If you need to leave your belongings inside your vehicle, be vigilant when you stash them in the boot.
- Preferably, lock valuable items in the boot before you start your trip.



LOCK & CHECK BEFORE YOU TREK

- Don't fall prey to remote jamming, a technique used to interfere with your vehicle's locking system.
- Always lock your vehicle's doors and manually check them before you walk away.
- Stay vigilant when approaching and leaving your vehicle.



HOLD TIGHT, OUT OF SIGHT

- Don't walk with your cell phone in your hand; keep it tucked away out of sight. If you need to use it, step into a nearby shop or building.
- Don't flash your jewellery, especially gold chains, to avoid becoming a victim of chain-snatching.
- Hold your bag tightly, and ensure it is securely zipped or closed.
- Don't leave your wallet, cell phone or bag unattended on a restaurant table.





HELP IS AT HAND

There are 327 Public Safety Officers of the Cape Town Central City Improvement District (CCID) on duty 24/7 in the Cape Town CBD. WhatsApp or call the CCID 24-hour control centre: **082 415 7127**

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

POLICE Cape Town Central Police Station:
021 467 8001/2
CITY OF CAPE TOWN Emergency:
021 480 7700

CCID 24-HOUR CONTROL CENTRE EMERGENCY NUMBER

Scan to WhatsApp or save.