

Why must the TV be unplugged when staying at a hotel or motel?

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When we go on a business trip or travel, we often have to stay in hotels and motels. Usually, after checking in, most people will check the objects in the room to see if there are any abnormalities, damage or hidden camera devices. However, people often forget to do one important thing: unplug the TV. Why so? We invite you to find out through the article below.

Why unplug the TV

The main reason for unplugging the TV in a hotel room is to check the hidden camera inside. Normally, we just need to draw the curtains, turn off the lights and use the camera phone to shine around the room. If you see any reflected light, there may be a hidden camera.





However, when plugging in the TV, there will often be a flicker on the bottom edge, so many people often ignore it without knowing that there may be a camera hidden in the opening of the TV, very unsafe.

Unplugging the TV will cut off the power, so the pinhole camera (if any) cannot work properly. So, to be on the safe side, unplug it in time and check the condition of the TV and socket right after checking in at the hotel.

In addition to using the phone camera, you can also use some other ways to detect hidden cameras in hotel rooms such as:

Observe with the naked eye every corner of the hotel such as wall hangings, table tops, table corners, chair corners, headboards, footboards, undersides of chairs, power lines, bell keys, top peepholes door...

Call someone and walk around the room, if the phone is ringing or losing signal, the phone may have electromagnetic interference, please check it carefully.

Use the app on your phone to check for hidden camera devices like Fing (displays a list of devices that are connected to WiFi); Hidden Camera Detector (scan around the room, if there is any sign of magnetism, the app will chime); Spy Spy; Glint finder; Radarbot (similar to the previous app).

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