

*I found the following article in the September issue of "AAA's Living" magazine and felt it was worth sharing.*

### **OUTSMART KEYLESS – CAR THIEVES**

More than half of the cars sold in the United States in 2018 came with keyless ignition systems, but those systems are not without risks. Your car's smart key, for example, uses a low-power radio signal that must be within a few feet of your vehicle to work. But some thieves have found a way to steal the signal using their own fob, tricking the car into unlocking or starting even though the actual key is elsewhere.

#### **AAA recommends the following:**

- Don't leave valuables in the car. If that's unavoidable, put them out of sight in a locked glove box or trunk.
- When possible, park in a closed garage.
- When not using your smart key, keep it in a metal container, RFID sleeve or Faraday bag to prevent it from sending or receiving radio signals.
- You can use the RFID sleeve or Faraday bag to place your credit cards as well. This prevents scammers from remotely stealing your credit card information.

Stay Safe!

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