



Dayton Police

Helpful Crime Prevention Tips



In case of an Emergency Call 911

To report criminal or suspicious activity call

333 – COPS (333-2677)

EPOD South HQ: 333-7440

EPOD North HQ: 333-1290

Auto Theft Protection	Burglary / B&E Protection	Theft From Auto Protection
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • When not inside your vehicle, turn it off, lock the doors and windows, and take your keys with you. • Park in well lit high traffic areas. • Use parking lots that have attendants. • If you park inside a garage, make sure all doors to the garage are locked and keep your car locked inside. • Consider a remote start system to use during the winter months to warm your vehicle instead of leaving it running and unattended. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Always lock all your doors and windows when you leave your residence. • Install solid core doors with metal door frames. Equip them with 1 ½ inch dead bolt locks and wide angle 180 degree peepholes. • Consider a home security system. • Install motion sensory security lighting outside the home and garage. • Keep all shrubbery and trees trimmed back to avoid obscuring view of entry points and to limit access to roofs. • Never hide your keys outside your residence. A determined thief will find it, no matter how well hidden. Keep in mind, some thieves may be watching. • If you're gone an extended amount of time, stop mail delivery and notify police and a trusted neighbor to check your property. • Know your neighbors and report any suspicious activity. • Use timers for lights and appliances in the house to give an occupied look. • Make sure your address is visible from the street for police and fire personnel. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Never leave any visible property in your vehicle. Even pocket change is enticing to some thieves. • If you must have valuables inside your vehicle, place them in your trunk before you park. Remember some thieves may be watching. • If your stereo has a removable face, take it off and take it with you. • Park in well lit high traffic areas • Scan the area for suspicious persons prior to parking. • Clean the circular mark from the GPS dock off your windshield and take GPS with you. • Consider a car alarm and other anti theft devices • Remove garage openers from your vehicle when parked outside your garage.