

## Home Security Tips.

Keep entrance doors locked.

Sliding doors locked and secured.

Keep windows locked or secured if open for ventilation.

Window air conditioner secured from inside.

Keep garage door locked, even when you are home.

Basement windows and skylights kept locked and secure.

Entrances should be well lit and have residence number clearly visible from street.

Keep shrubs cut below window level.

Keep tree limbs cut above window level.

Use clock timers that activate lights or radios at intervals to give the impression that some one is home.

Alarms should be used in addition to other security measures, and not be the only security measure.

When going away for an extended period of time, make sure that: you discontinue mail, milk and newspaper delivery. Arrange for lawn mowing or snow clearing.

In general, try to avoid the appearance that your home is vacant.

## Personal Security Tips.

Never indicate to anyone that you are home alone.

Do not open your door for just anyone. Install a viewer. Confirm credentials.

If there is an emergency and someone wants to use the phone, ask them to wait outside while you call

Do not rely on night chains. They can usually be broken with little effort.

Upon arriving home, if you think there is someone inside ... **YOU GET OUT... THEN CALL POLICE.**

When talking to unknown persons on the phone, do not give out personal information.

There are many other crime prevention precautions that you can take to protect your home, property, business, and family.

**For Free Brochures on Crime Prevention Attend**



**Charlottetown Police Services  
10 Kirkwood Drive, Charlottetown  
Or**

**Charlottetown Police Services Downtown Depot  
115 Kent Street, Charlottetown**

**EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER  
911**

**For Immediate: Police, Fire, Ambulance.**

**CHARLOTTETOWN POLICE SERVICES  
NON-EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER  
629-4172**



**Neighbourhood Crime Prevention**

# NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

**TIPS FOR PREVENTION OF  
BURGLARY IN YOUR HOME**

**Take time Out...  
To Protect Your Home.**



**Lets Work Together To Prevent Crime**

**Free Friendly Advice From Your  
City of Charlottetown Police Services**

## What is NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH?

**NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** is a program aimed at reducing crime in the community. It involves getting to know one's neighbour and introducing them to the concept that is, good neighbours working together, alert to the potential of crime and willing to look out for one and other's interests. Neighbours working together through Neighbourhood Watch can combat crime in their neighbourhood in their area the most effective way – before it starts.

**NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** provides a means of reducing the opportunity for crime to occur, through the active participation of citizens in crime prevention. Citizens can make their homes less inviting as a target for thieves. Citizens can participate in an additional crime prevention program **OPERATION INDENTIFCATION**, making their personal property less desirable to burglars; and how to be alert to suspicious activity in their neighbourhoods.



Very few people are in a position to protect their homes and property all of the time. Vacation, business, shopping trips, or even an evening out will leave homes unattended and vulnerable to theft.

The **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH** program will provide a sense of security for individuals or families who leave their homes for a length of time. The program will also help to co-ordinate the efforts of police and the community in tracking down criminals. Strong community involvement is encouraged, neighbourhood unity can deter crime. Neighbours joined together to help correct situations that threaten their peace and safety.

## Suggested Method of Reporting a Crime or Suspicious Activity.

### CALL THE POLICE!

Give the exact location of the crime or activity.

Remain in contact with the Police Dispatcher until all of the necessary information has been obtained.

Do not personally confront the situation. Await the arrival of the Police.

When reporting an incident to the Police you may be asked to repeat the address. This is to ensure that the address has been correctly understood. At the same time you are relaying the information, a car is being dispatched to the scene of the emergency. Any additional information that is required helps the Police determine the amount of emergency equipment required.

NOTE: ALL INFORMATION IS KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.

WRITE SPECIFIC DETAILS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, THAT YOU DEFINITELY REMEMBER.

### Suspect General Appearance:

Sex, Age, Height, Weight, Hair (Colour/Style), Eyes (Glasses), Complexion, Scars/Marks, Tattoos. Jewellery.

Clothing: (Colour/Type)  
Hat, Coat, Shirt, Pants, Shoes.

Weapon, Tools or items carried by Suspect.

### Suspect Facial Appearance:

Hair Colour, Style, Texture.

Skin Colour, Wrinkles.

Shape of eye brow.

Size and shape of eyes.

Ear size and shape.

Shape of nose.

Cheeks (Full or Sunken).

Mouth and Lips.

Moustache or Beard.

Neck and Adams Apple.

Scars/Marks.

Piercing/Jewellery.

### Vehicle Identification.

Licence Number.

Colour.

Make.

Model.

Body Style.

Damage/Rust.

Bumper/Window Stickers.

Wheels Rims/Covers.

Direction of Travel.