

Help deter vehicle burglaries

- **TAKE** your keys
- **LOCK** your car
- **HIDE** your valuables
- Park in well-lit, high traffic areas
- Park in attended lots
- Leave only ignition/door key with lot attendant
- Completely close car windows when parking
- Don't leave your car running unattended
- Use your garage
- Don't leave ANY valuables in plain view (remove valuables at night; place in trunk during the day if items must be left in vehicle)
- Lock garage door and vehicle inside
- Engrave expensive accessories
- Use tire/wheel locks
- Take out removable radios and GPS
- Avoid parking between large vehicles
- Replace T-shaped door locks with straight locks
- Do not approach your vehicle when a stranger is near it; call security or other personnel for an escort.



Items to avoid leaving

in view

- Phones
- Pagers
- Cigarettes
- Money (loose change)
- CD's/Cassette Tapes
- Briefcases
- Wallets/Purses
- Radar detectors
- Sports equipment
- Removable radios
- Clothing
- Laptops
- GPS
- MP3 player
- Address books
- Mail
- Credit Cards



Burglary Methods & Locations

Entry Methods:

- Break Glass
- Left unlocked
- Pried/Jimmied
- Windows down
- Window vents
- Sliding windows (trucks)
- Sunroofs
- Convertibles

High Risk Areas:

- Apartments
- Single family residences
- Shopping centers
- Restaurants
- Parks
- Bars
- Auto parts/dealers/repair shops

Suspicious Actions:

- Pulling door handles
- Looking in windows
- Odd clothing (long coats in summer)
- Nervous looking (looking all around, moving slowly or quickly)
- Checking for alarms by bumping or hitting the window or bumpers for sensitivity
- Lookouts

Vehicle Burglary
is defined as:

- A. A persons commits an offense if, without the effective consent of the owner, he breaks into or enters a vehicle or any part of a vehicle with intent to commit any felony or theft.
- B. For the purposes of this section, "enter" means to intrude.
 - a. Any part of the body; or
 - b. Any physical object connected with the body
- C. An offense under this section is a Class A misdemeanor (with exceptions).

State of Texas Penal Code: 30.04



USEFUL NUMBERS

- Emergency: 911
- Non-Emergency: 311
- NW NPO: (214) 670-6206
- NW Tip Line: (214) 671-0567
- DPD Narcotics: (214) 671-3120
- Email: Northwest@dpd.dallascityhall.com
- Website: www.Dallaspolice.net



Should you have a resource to contribute to this cause please contact the Northwest Patrol Division. Thank You.



Vehicle

Burglaries

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