

OKALOOSA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE



Crime Prevention Unit Home Burglary Safety Tips



- Make sure all bushes are cut back less than 3 feet & trees canopies are trimmed above 6 feet.
- Add motion lights to the outside your home. Good lighting is an inexpensive way to deter crime.
- If you have a home alarm system, turn it on every time you leave.
- If you plan to travel for the holidays, register your home for a free vacation watch while you are away. You can register on the Okaloosa County Sheriff's Office website at www.sheriff-okaloosa.org
 - Have a trusted friend or neighbor to keep an eye on your home.
 - Also, you can put a request with the Postal Office to hold mail while away.
- Keep all doors and windows closed & locked; even while you are home.
- Take photos, log serial numbers and tag all electronics, firearms, jewelry and other expensive items in the house. Items that have ID markings are harder for criminals to pawn and sell.
 - The Sheriff's Office suggests you register your property online with Report It. <https://reportit.leadsonline.com/> The information you enter is secure and you can access from any computer with internet access using your username and password.
- Do not open the door to individuals you do not know.
- Call the Sheriff's Office if you see anyone or anything suspicious in your neighborhood!
- Report all crimes to law enforcement; even crimes where you do not have a loss.

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