

Property Identification Program

An accurate list of your valuables is important in the unfortunate event you are a victim of a theft or burglary. Detailed information is crucial when reporting items to the police and insurance companies. Additionally, a complete listing of your valuables and their identifiers increases the likelihood of having your property returned should it be recovered. Marked items are also far more difficult to resell.

WHERE DO I START?

Make an inventory of your home using this brochure to list each of your valuable items with their model and serial number and other identifiers. Generally, other identifiers are a set of letters and numbers that are unique to you which you apply to the object using an engraver. These are also known as Owner Applied Numbers (OAN). For example, your drivers license number may be applied to the back of your television set next to the serial number in the following format:

OR1234567DL

Using this format indicates to law enforcement personnel that it is an Oregon drivers license number and a quick database inquiry connects the item to you. Also, writing OR at the start and DL at the end eliminates the possibility of changing the number. NEVER USE A SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER.

OTHER TIPS

- Avoid engraving removable parts, such as lids or battery compartments doors, etc.
- Take at least two photographs of each valuable; one showing the object in its entirety and the other showing its serial number and/or OAN. Consider using a video camera.
- Keep your receipts

IN A SECURE PLACE

Police non-emergency line: 541.942.9145
Community Service Officer 541.942.9145 x264

Contact your Community Service Officer

Cherie Nelson 541.942.9145 x 264
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Cottage Grove Police Department

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**Can you accurately describe
your property?**

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Serialized Property:

Appliances, Electronics, Power Tools, Etc.

ITEM	BRAND	MODEL	SERIAL NUMBER	OTHER DESCRIPTORS	OWNER APPLIED MARKING

Miscellaneous Items:

Sporting Goods, Hobby Items, Jewelry, Additional Valuable Items

ITEM	BRAND	MODEL	OTHER DESCRIPTORS	OWNER APPLIED MARKING