
Oxford Town Watch Security Tips

MAKE YOUR HOME LOOK OCCUPIED

Leave some lights and a radio on when you're out.

LOCK YOUR DOORS

Never leave your house open for "just a moment," always lock your doors when you're out.

USE DEADBOLT LOCKS

A deadbolt lock is a good deterrent to burglars.

DON'T HIDE A KEY OUTSIDE

Burglars know all the secret hiding places.

DRILL AND PIN YOUR WINDOWS

Window locks can be jimmed; pins cannot.

BRACE SLIDING GLASS DOORS

If the door is braced, the only way a burglar can get through it is to break it.

INSTALL GOOD EXTERIOR LIGHTING

Motion sensor lights and other good lights don't let a burglar hide in the dark.

KEEP BUSHES AND SHRUBS TRIMMED

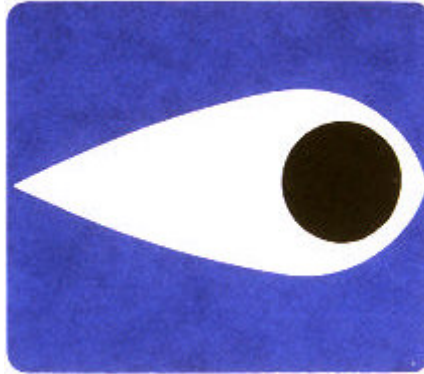
If bushes are too high, someone hiding near your windows and doors cannot be seen.

STOP MAIL AND PAPER DELIVERIES

If you go on vacation, stop deliveries or have one of your neighbors collect your mail and papers.

INSTALL AN ALARM SYSTEM

Houses with alarms are avoided by burglars.



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WELCOME OXFORD TOWN WATCH

*A Community Crime
Watch Program*



**The Way To A
CRIME FREE
And
SECURE
NEIGHBORHOOD**

WHAT IS OXFORD TOWNWATCH?

OXFORD TOWNWATCH is a Crime Prevention program that involves citizens working with each other and with law enforcement agencies to reduce crime and victimization in their community. It involves:

1. Citizens protecting themselves and their property by using common sense crime prevention practices.
2. Neighbors getting to know each other, watching out for each other and acting on or reporting suspicious activities.
3. Citizens working with groups, community leaders, and, more importantly, law enforcement agencies to make entire communities safe and free from crime.

OXFORD TOWNWATCH MISSION OBJECTIVES

1. To help deter and reduce crime and undesirable behavior in our neighborhoods, while improving the daily safety of citizens residing within the borough.
2. To help improve the quality of life within the Borough of Oxford, while raising civic pride, awareness, and respect in our community.
3. To provide a communication and warning network linking law abiding citizens within our community.

4. To aid and lawfully support law enforcement personnel in policing our borough by providing pertinent supplemental information to law enforcement.
5. To not hinder or interfere with any law enforcement personnel lawfully engaged in the performance of their duties or engaged in an investigation.

Because law enforcement officers cannot be on every street corner, citizen involvement is necessary to combat crime. On average, there are approximately two law enforcement officers for every 1,000 citizens.

You and your neighbors are the ones who really know what is going on in your community. By cooperating with each other and with the police, citizens can help fight crime in the most effective way – preventing the victimization of themselves, their families and friends. You are the key element in fighting crime. Get Involved!

TOWN WATCH WORKS WHEN PEOPLE GET INVOLVED AND STAY INVOLVED

Become a member of THE OXFORD TOWN WATCH program today!!

SOME TOWN WATCH ACTIVITIES

Community Clean-UP: You are already working on cleaning up the crime in your community - make it a beautiful place to live at the same time.

Victim Assistance: Should one of your neighbors be victimized, you can know how to help that person. Contact the Oxford Police Department or OXFORD TOWNWATCH Group, for more information. (See Contact information on the back of this brochure)

Oxford Town Watch Signs: The Oxford Town Watch is coordination the purchase of signs with the assistance of the community and the Oxford Borough Council. You may wish to purchase signs that identify your neighborhood where citizens look after each other. See the contact information on the back of this flyer for more information

National Night Out: Every year, the National Town Watch Association invites communities to participate in National Night Out Against Crime. The Oxford Townwatch is currently a member of the National Association of Townwatch and will be organizing a National Night out for August 2008.

REMEMBER: Criminals gravitate to places where they feel safe and secure. They avoid neighborhoods where they are likely to get caught. When they are neither wanted nor welcome, they go someplace else.