



## OPERATION IDENTIFICATION

Burglars thrive on stolen property, not properly marked, which can be easily sold. Recovered property lacking positive identification cannot be traced and returned to the owner. It is also difficult to introduce as evidence in court.

### Help the Police Help You

By participating in this program, YOU take the profit from burglars and thieves in Sacramento and YOU increase the risk criminals must take to steal your property.

### What Number to Use

Use your Driver's License or Identification card number. DO NOT use your social security number. Law enforcement agencies are unable to retrieve any information from the Federal Social Security Administration.

### What to Mark With

Use an electric engraving pencil. Engravers may be borrowed from some branches of the library system.

### How to Mark

Place the state abbreviation in front of the number. Place a dash after the number so that the number cannot be altered.

EXAMPLE: CA A1234567---

### What to Mark

Mark your valuable property including guns, cameras, appliances, tools, lawn mowers and stereo systems - - in short, mark anything you feel has value.

### Where to Mark

Engrave your number in a place where it can be observed without dismantling the property. The number should not be engraved on any part of the property that can be removed, i.e. the back of a T.V., etc. Mark the metal chassis if it is exposed.

### If the Property is Unmarkable

PHOTOGRAPH property which cannot be marked, i.e., antiques, jewelry, silver, artwork, etc.

### Inventorying

When inventorying and marking property, use a systematic approach. Take one room at a time. As the property is marked or photographed, enter it on your inventory list. Should the need arise, a detailed inventory list will aid you, your insurance company, and the police department in establishing your losses and recovering your property. DO NOT send it to the police department.



### Security Measures

YOU are the main deterrent against burglaries. Follow these hints and you can reduce your chances of becoming a victim.

1. Participate in Operation Identification.
2. Start a Neighborhood Watch group.
3. Install and USE proper locks.
4. Use proper lighting at night.
5. Be cautious of strangers; report any suspicious persons or circumstances to the police department, 264-5471.
6. Keep valuable jewelry, coins, stamps, etc. in a safe deposit box.
7. Arrange for neighbors to watch your home while you are away.

Burglars usually avoid homes that look occupied. Make them think you are home when you are away. HELP the police HELP you!

For more information on this program, contact the Sacramento Police Department Crime Prevention Unit at:

Downtown	808-6418
North	808-3638
Northeast	808-3639
South/East	808-6058



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