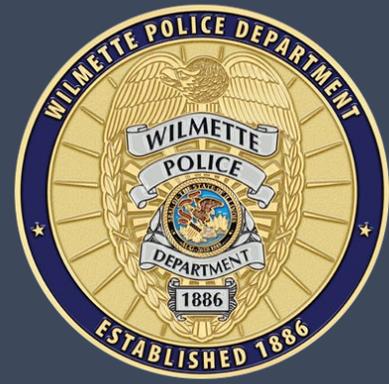


# WILMETTE POLICE RESIDENTIAL BURGLARY CRIME PREVENTION TIPS



## Security Measures

- Lock all doors and windows to your home, garage, and car.
- Always activate your burglary alarm system overnight and when you leave.
- Increase lighting around the interior and exterior of your home (lights on when your away, motion lights outside, add timers to lights).

## Prevention Measures

- Stop your mail and newspaper, or have someone pick it up for you if you are away.
- Have TV or radio playing when you are away.
- Have a neighbor park in your driveway.
- Arrange for snow to be shoveled during winter months.

## What to look for

- People sitting in a running car parked on a residential street for an unusual length of time.
- People standing in front of a residence looking around.
- People who try to avoid being seen.
- A car slowly and repeatedly driving through neighborhood.

Often During fall and winter, The Wilmette Police Department will experience an increase in the number of residential burglary reports. This can be attributed to earlier sunsets, and residents being out of town for the holidays.

Here are some old, but relevant crime prevention tips:

REPORT ALL SUSPICIOUS PERSONS AND VEHICLES TO THE POLICE. CALL 911 FOR EMERGENCIES.

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