

STEPS TO TAKE IF YOUR VEHICLE IS BROKEN INTO

- Try not to touch the vehicle
Fingerprints may have been left by the suspect
- Call the Morrisville Police Department at 919.829.1911
- Try to recall all items which were stolen, note any damage done during theft
- Please wait for the responding officer to arrive at your location
- Have your license, registration, and insurance information available for the officer when making a report
- Secure your personal information to prevent identity theft
- Check with your insurance company regarding loss reporting



INFORMATION REQUESTED WHEN REPORTING A SUSPICIOUS SITUATION

Description of person:

- Age
- Race
- Sex
- Height & Weight
- Clothing
- Other distinguishing characteristics
Facial hair, tattoos, glasses, etc.

Description of vehicle:

- License number
- Make
- Model
- Color
- Other distinguishing characteristics
Damage, dirty, etc.

What occurred?

Provide as detailed account as possible after the incident

Where did incident occur?

Provide specific street numbers when possible or where you will meet an officer in a parking lot etc.



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Prevent Theft From Vehicles

***“If they can see it,
they can steal it”.***

Secure It!



Theft From Vehicles

Many residents and visitors to Morrisville are victims of the growing problem of larceny of property from vehicles and the theft of parts from vehicles.

Tires, mirrors, gasoline, etc.

The vast majority of these are preventable. Here are some recommendations to reduce the chance that the thief will choose your car, truck, van, etc.



Leaving valuables in your vehicle is just the opportunity a thief is looking for

Lock your doors and close the windows completely

An open door or window is an invitation to take any property in your vehicle

Remove valuables from vehicle or lock them in the trunk where they are out of sight

Leaving valuables in view from the outside is just the opportunity a thief is looking for

Do not leave electronic devices or accessories visible

A cigarette lighter plug or cassette adapter are tell tale signs there are valuables in the car. Also replace the cigarette lighter when exiting the vehicle

Report any suspicious persons to the Police

If you observe activity which may be harmful in nature, immediately report it to the Police. If emergent, call 911. Otherwise call 919.829.1911 to report information

Do not leave money in your vehicle

A thief will break into your vehicle even for a small amount of change

Park in your garage (if you have one)

If you have a garage at your house, use it. If a thief cannot get to your car, he cannot break into it

Be wary of leaving your garage door opener visible

Thieves can remove garage door openers from vehicles and enter homes

Do not hide a key on your vehicle

A potential thief could see you hide the key and then use your key to gain entry into your vehicle

Install locking lug nuts on your rims

This prevents a thief from removing your tires and rims from your vehicle

Record serial numbers of any equipment you install or carry in your vehicle

This will assist the police in investigating the larceny and will help in recovering your property

Park in well lighted, populated areas

If a thief believes he may be caught, they are less likely to take the chance of targeting your vehicle

Install an anti-theft device that has a visible indicator

A flashing light or stickers informing a thief of a device may be enough to deter a potential thief from selecting your vehicle

Install a "Tapered" door lock

A door lock that does not have a "head" that can be pulled up by a coat hanger (available in most auto parts stores)

Items Frequently Stolen From Vehicles

- Cellular Phones
- Money
- Briefcases
- CD Players
- Sporting Equipment
- Purses/ wallets
- GPS Units
- Laptop Computers
- CDs
- Clothing