

The HAWTHORNE
POLICE DEPARTMENT
has received
ACCREDITATION

from the
New Jersey State Association
of
Chiefs of Police.

This accreditation acknowledges
the Department's
implementation of policies
and procedures that are
conceptually sound and
operationally effective,
meeting 112 standards for
professional law enforcement
operations.



**The Hawthorne Police
Department Mission Statement**

*We the employees of the
Hawthorne Police Department are
here to serve all people within our
jurisdiction with respect, fairness
and sensitivity. Our commitment is
to the prevention of crime and to
the protection of life and property;
the preservation of peace, order
and safety; the enforcement of laws
and ordinances; and to the
safeguarding of constitutional
guarantees. With community
policing as our foundation, we are
driven by goals to enhance the
quality of life, conduct thorough
investigations, seek solutions and
foster security for citizens in our
community. We nurture public
trust by holding ourselves to the
highest standards of performance
and ethics.*

*To fulfill our mission, the
Hawthorne Police Department is
dedicated to providing its
employees with quality training
and leadership.*

Hawthorne Police Department



Richard M. McAuliffe
Chief of Police

Home & Vehicle Safety Tips



Richard S. Goldberg
Mayor

How to secure Your Bicycle

- Always lock your bike, especially at home.
- Pick a good Location. Select a location where there are other bikes. The chances are better that there will be a bike with a less secure lock -- or even without a lock -- and thieves will usually take the unlocked bikes first.
- Always lock your bike in visible, well-lighted areas.
- Lock your bike to a fixed, immovable object like a permanent bike rack that is cemented or anchored into the ground.

Preventing Theft From Your Vehicles

- Install a vehicle alarm or mechanical lock for the steering wheel or ignition.
- Always lock the doors and leave the windows rolled up.
- Always activate any auto alarms or anti-theft devices.
- Keep books, electronic devices, and other valuables out of sight. Expensive items in full view invite theft even if the vehicle is locked. Don't advertise the types of equipment you have in your vehicle.
- Place valuable items in your trunk not the front or back seats.
- Know the license number, year, make and model of your vehicle.
- Do not leave money, checkbooks, or credit cards in the vehicle at any time.

Burglary Prevention Tips

- Make your home look occupied, and make it difficult to break in.
- Lock all outside doors and windows before you leave the house or go to bed. Even if it is for a short time, lock your doors.
- Leave lights on when you go out. If you are going to be away for a length of time, connect some lamps to automatic timers to turn them on in the evening and off during the day.
- Keep your garage door closed and locked.
- Don't allow daily deliveries of mail, newspapers or flyers build up while you are away. Arrange with the Post Office to hold your mail, or arrange for a friend or neighbor to take them regularly.
- Arrange for your lawn to be maintained if you are going away for an extended time and snow removed from sidewalks, driveways and walkways.
- Check your locks on doors and windows and replace them with secure devices as necessary.
- Pushbutton locks on doorknobs are easy for burglars to open. Install deadbolt locks on all your outside doors.
- Sliding glass doors are vulnerable. Special locks are available for better security.
- Other windows may need better locks. Check with a locksmith or hardware store for alternatives.

Other precautions you should take:

- Never leave keys under doormats, flowerpots, mailboxes or other "secret" hiding places -- burglars know where to look for hidden keys.
- Keep a detailed inventory of your valuable possessions, including a description of the items, date of purchase and original value, and serial numbers, and keep a copy in a safe place away from home -- this is a good precaution in case of fires or other disasters. Make a photographic or video record of valuable objects, heirlooms and antiques. Your insurance company can provide assistance in making and keeping your inventory.
- Trim your shrubbery around your home to reduce cover for burglars.

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