

Auto Burglary Prevention

Crime is like a table with three legs - it takes all three legs to stand. If you take away even one leg, the table isn't supported. Desire, ability, and opportunity must all exist to support crime. Even though we may not be able to stop someone's desire to commit a crime, we can take away their ability and/or their opportunity to commit the crime.

DESIRE + ABILITY + OPPORTUNITY = CRIME

Auto Burglary Prevention, like all crime prevention, is the act of taking away the criminal's ability and/or opportunity to commit a crime. With a little time and diligence, you can make a difference in your vulnerability to Auto Burglary!

Natural Surveillance

One of the techniques used in modern crime prevention is "natural surveillance." While this principle is usually applied to building and area design, you can use it to your advantage too. Park in an area where the likelihood is greatest that others will view it with the greatest frequency. Criminals do not like to commit their acts in plain view of many people, they like seclusion.

By the Numbers

- 30 - The seconds it takes for a thief to break into your car and steal your valuables!
 - 20 - The seconds it takes to put your valuables into your trunk, out of sight!
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Curb Auto Burglary

The Jupiter Inlet Colony Police Department aggressively patrols the community to prevent criminal activity from occurring. The simple act of placing valuables into the trunk of your car can significantly reduce the likelihood of being a victim of auto burglary.

Sometimes we have the wrong impression of criminals. We put our valuables in the floorboard or seat and cover them. Actually, this often has the opposite effect and broadcasts that there is something of value in the car.

Our community is safe, but keeping your vehicle locked will prevent crimes of opportunity from occurring.

Prevention Tips

- Close your windows & lock your doors (the simplest & easiest prevention technique).
- Remove valuables or place them in the trunk of your automobile.
- Remove 'pull-out' style radio face plates (if equipped).
- Park in well lit areas when possible.
- Park where your car will be easily & frequently viewed (natural surveillance).
- Park in your garage if you have one.
- Use a car alarm, it will alert anyone nearby.