

Operation I.D.

- Inventory all property that will be left in the residence. Include any serial numbers and model numbers that are unique to each item. Take pictures of jewelry, antiques or other collectibles. It is suggested that you do not leave valuable jewelry, money or papers behind, unsecured, in the residence.
- Engrave your driver's license number and the state code (ex. B1234567 AZ) on all items without serial numbers. Do not use your social security number.
- Take a picture of each room prior to leaving for the summer, giving the caretaker or the officer a visual depiction of the condition the residence as it was last seen.
- Leave a copy of the property list, pictures and a list of emergency telephone numbers and contacts with the caretaker or resort manager to be kept in the file. These can be retrieved, if needed, by a police officer in the event of criminal activity.
- *The police can only return property that is easily identified as belonging to you.*

**HAVE A SAFE
SUMMER!**

Resident Contact Information

Property Address

Resident's Name

Resident Telephone Numbers

Local _____

Other _____

Mailing Addresses

Mesa, AZ _____

Other Residence

Emergency Contacts

1. Contact Person

Telephone _____

2. Contact Person

Telephone _____

Miscellaneous Information



Securing Residences While Away for the Summer



Mesa Police Department
Crime Prevention
480-644-2300
www.mesaaz.gov/police

Good locks, simple precautions, neighborly assistance, and common sense can help prevent most property crimes while you're away.

Your goal is to make your residence look like it's not vacant.

Locks, Doors and Windows

- Install deadbolt locks on your doors, and use them.
- Secure windows and glass sliding doors with locks, with a rigid wooden dowel in the track, with a screw inserted through a hole drilled in the sliding door frame and projected into the fixed frame, or with a "thumb screw" lock.
- Applying window laminate (security film) can provide protection against the breaking of windows to gain entry.
- Avoid types of locks that can be opened by breaking and reaching through glass or door panels.



Home Exterior

- Trim back shrubbery that hides doors or windows.
- Make sure porches, entrances, house numbers and yards are well-lit.
- Install outside "dusk to dawn" lights and/or motion lights.



- Have a neighbor or friend keep your yard clean and trimmed.
- Do not leave a "hidden" house key on your property.
- Do not place a chain across your carport area; and if you leave a car at home, do not cover it with a tarp or put boards over the tires. That signals that you're away.
- Leave lawn furniture on porch or patio if you normally have lawn furniture out.
- Have a neighbor or friend park a vehicle in your driveway at various times.



Home Interior

- Use timers for interior lights and radios. Make the home appear occupied.
- Leave on electricity, but turn off all breakers except for the one that works the lights on the timers, both inside and outside the home. Lock the breaker box.
- Covering your windows with styrofoam, foil or plywood indicates that your home is vacant and you won't be back for a while. Instead, draw curtains or blinds.
- Don't leave valuables behind; either take them with you or put them in a safe deposit box. Do not leave weapons in the residence.



- Join Operation ID. Mark valuables and compile an inventory of items. Take photos of the inside of your home and your valuables for identification purposes.

Neighbors

- Ask your neighbors to watch for suspicious activity.
- Leave your contact numbers with the management office or a trusted friend or neighbor in case they need to reach you. Let neighbors know if someone will be staying at your home while you're away.
- Stop delivery of the newspaper and have your mail forwarded for the time you will be gone, or arrange for someone to pick up your newspapers or mail on a daily basis.
- Have someone remove any fliers left on your door.
- Start a Block Watch in your community. Get together with your neighbors to keep an eye on each other's homes.

