



BIKE REGISTRATION



How to register: (Free)

1. Locate your bike's serial number.
2. Fill out online registration form

www.montgomerycountymd.gov/pol/bike-registration.html.

3. Your registration decals will be mailed to supplied address
4. Apply the decal to your bicycle

For additional information, please call Montgomery County Police, Records Division at 240-773-5330.



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: OFFICER STROMAN, MONTGOMERY COUNTY POLICE @ 240-773-6727



SIX WAYS TO PREVENT YOUR BIKE FROM BEING STOLEN

It only takes a few seconds for an experienced thief to steal your bicycle, even if it's locked. Here are 6 tips for protecting your bike against theft from Montgomery County Police:

1) Invest in a quality U-shaped lock

Hammers, bolt cutters and metal saws are some of the tools used by thieves to easily break inexpensive locks. Make it more difficult for them by protecting your bike with two locking systems such as a U-shaped lock and a chain made of hardened steel.

2) Lock the frame and front wheel

Lock them to a solid anchor point that's firmly attached to the ground. A bike rack is ideal. If you can easily remove your front wheel, lock it to the rest of your bike. Lift off the seat and take it with you.

3) Keep your bike inside

Park your bike inside as often as you can or choose a well-lit parking lot containing other bikes. It's not a fail-proof method but it can be an effective way to discourage less experienced thieves.

4) Personalize your bike

Thieves are less attracted to bikes whose brand names have been covered by stickers, tape or even paint because they are much more difficult to resell. Making your bicycle unique to you with stickers, markings, or label, etc.

5) Register your bike

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6) Take a photo of your bike

Photograph your bike or, ask someone else to take a photo of you on it to show proof of ownership.