What is Operation Identification?

Operation Identification is a citizen burglary prevention program for use in homes and businesses.

The Operation Identification program involves marking property with an identifying number as a means of discouraging burglary and theft. In communities where it has been properly implemented, Operation Identification has shown dramatic results in its ability to reduce burglaries.

The Operation Identification program has three parts: **First,** mark your valuables with your Driver Licence number or Combination of letters and or numbers, similar to a password.

Second, record the item, its serial number, and location on the item where the number is engraved or marked. Prepare a list of all items and numbers to keep in a secure place, such as a safety deposit box.

Third, Attend Charlottetown Police Services to show you have marked your property and made a list, you will receive two Operation Identification stickers to display on a door or window that will most likely be used for entry.



What Makes Operation Identification So Effective?

Marked property is difficult for a burglar to sell. If properly marked, it can be traced to the rightful owner with relative ease. If the burglar is caught with marked property, it is evidence of possession of stolen property.

How to Participate

Your Drivers Licence or Combination of letters and or numbers, similar to a password could be used as your identification mark on the valuables that you engrave. A typical marking should look like the one below.

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Your Drivers Licence Number or Combination of letters and or numbers similar to a password should be engraved or marked on an area that cannot be easily dismantled and is not easily seen. Possessions that are too small or too valuable to engrave should be photographed or video taped. A ruler should be placed next to the article to convey an accurate impression of its size.

After marking, photographing, or video taping your property, make a list of your valuables. Keep a copy of the list in a safe place. If you should subsequently become a burglary victim, you will be able to describe the stolen property from the list. This information will be of great help to the police in their attempts to recover the stolen property.

Once you have marked your property and made a list, display an operation identification sticker on a door or window that will be most likely used for entry. The operation identification sticker announces that your valuable property has been marked and will be difficult for a burglar to sell.

DO NOT DISPLAY AN OPERATION IDENTIFICATION STICKER WITH OUT FIRST MARKING YOUR PROPERTY.

Burglary is one of the most frequently committed crimes in Canada. By participating in Operation Identification, you are taking one important step toward protecting your possessions from theft.

There are many other crime prevention precautions that you can take to protect your home, property, business, and family.

For Free Brochures on Crime Prevention Attend



Charlottetown Police Services 10 Kirkwood Drive, Charlottetown Or

Charlottetown Police Services Downtown Depot 115 Kent Street, Charlottetown

EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER 911

For Immediate: Police, Fire, Ambulance.

CHARLOTTETOWN POLICE SERVICES NON-EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER 629-4172



Neighbourhood Crime Prevention

OPERATION IDENTIFICATION

TIPS FOR PREVENTION OF BURGLARY IN YOUR HOME

Take time Out...
To Protect Your Home.



Lets Work Together To Prevent Crime

Free Friendly Advice From Your City of Charlottetown Police Services

USE THIS FORM TO LIST ITEMS YOU HAVE MARKED WITH YOUR DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER OR

COMBINATION OF LETTERS AND OR NUMBERS SIMILAR TO A PASSWORD

Items can be marked in a number of ways. Engraved, Etched, Invisible marker which can only be seen under ultraviolet light.

	ITEM	
	Description	
NUMBER	MODEL	
NUMBER	SERIAL	
Is Marked	Where Item	

If required use additional paper using the same format.

Write your marking below:

Once you have marked your property and made a list, Attend Charlottetown Police Services and you will receive two Operation Identification stickers to display on a door or window that will most likely be used for entry.

Mark These Possessions

The items listed below are stolen most frequently from homes and business.

Stereo equipment **Television Sets** Cell Phones Radios and CD players Computers (Any Items can be marked) **Business Machines** Stereo equipment Radios and CD players Tools (hand and power) Household appliances Video and Tape Recorders Fishing Rods, Reels Outboard Motors Bicycles Lawn mowers

If required, attend Charlottetown Police Services for a loan of an engraver to mark your property.