

# CRIME PREVENTION

**WORKING TOGETHER TO PREVENT CRIME**

**NEWSLETTER**

## When to Call the Police

### If you discover a crime in progress, call 9-1-1.

If the suspect has left, or if someone has attempted to break in, do not touch anything and call the Richmond RCMP non-emergency number at 604-278-1212.

Report all criminal activity to the Richmond RCMP. If a suspect is present, call 9-1-1. If no suspect is present, call the Richmond RCMP non-emergency number at 604-278-1212.

Write down the suspect's description: sex, race, height, weight, clothing and vehicle details, direction of travel, vehicle description and licence plate number.



### Contact Numbers

- RCMP (emergency) ..... 9-1-1
- RCMP (non-emergency) ..... 604-278-1212
- City of Richmond Switchboard ..... 604-276-4000
- Graffiti Hotline ..... 604-233-3307
- Public Works Request-Works Yard ..... 604-244-1262
- For 24 hour service, call..... 604-270-8721
- Traffic Operations ..... 604-276-4616
- Richmond Fire Department  
(non-emergency) ..... 604-278-5131
- Richmond Emergency Programs ..... 604-233-3333
- Community Bylaws ..... 604-276-4345

### Why Call the Police?

If you do not report relevant information on a specific crime, the crime may never be solved or it may increase the length of time it takes to solve it. Many people hesitate to call the police, but the police need and want your help in preventing crime. Do not assume someone else has already called the police. Your information is important! Investigating crime is like putting together a puzzle and your piece of the puzzle could be vital. If someone breaks into your car or your house, calling to report the crime is important because a suspect may have been arrested with stolen property that belongs to you.

# Residential Break and Enters January to July 2009–2010

	Zone 1	Zone 2	Zone 3	Zone 4	Zone 5
Jan 2009	1	12	16	11	28
Jan 2010	0	10	36	16	41
Feb 2009	0	11	10	8	18
Feb 2010	0	10	14	5	20
Mar 2009	0	4	8	7	9
Mar 2010	0	7	12	5	10
Apr 2009	1	3	4	6	19
Apr 2010	0	12	16	1	13
May 2009	0	7	2	1	9
May 2010	0	6	10	3	10
June 2009	0	5	4	1	11
June 2010	0	6	3	1	10
July 2009	0	9	7	2	11
July 2010	0	19	1	1	24



Visit [www.richmond.ca/homesafety](http://www.richmond.ca/homesafety) for home security tips and to improve the security of your home, download information on:

- Home Security Checklist
- Home Security Tips
- General Safety and Security Tips
- Alarm Facts
- Apartment/Condo Security Tips

## Theft of Licence Plates

Theft of licence plates are now a common occurrence. There are a few things you can do to protect yourself. Know your licence plate number. Always check your vehicle plates to make sure that your plates are on your vehicle and your insurance validation tag is in place. If your plates are missing, call the Richmond RCMP immediately at 604-278-1212. Your plates could be used on a stolen vehicle and used to commit other crimes.

## Free Home Security Checks

The Richmond RCMP would like to offer you a free Home Security Check to help protect your home. To request a home security check, please call: 604-207-4790.

## For More Information

Please visit [www.richmond.ca/crime](http://www.richmond.ca/crime) for neighbourhood crime information and [www.richmond.ca/homesafety](http://www.richmond.ca/homesafety) for home security tips.



Royal Canadian Mounted Police



## Email Break & Enter Alerts

Email your name and street address to: [blockwatch@richmond.ca](mailto:blockwatch@richmond.ca) to receive an email alert should a residential break and enter occur in your neighbourhood.