

Protecting Your Assets

★ What is Property Protection

Property Protection is a crime prevention program promoted by McMaster Security & Parking Services. This initiative is designed to promote the use of the Operation Identification engraving program.

★ Why is Operation Identification effective at stopping thieves

Proper identification of your property discourages theft because marked property is difficult to dispose of and can be easily traced.

Operation Identification dramatically reduced the profit to be gained from stealing; thus acting as a theft deterrent.

Operation Identification works whether your property is stolen or lost. Proper identification of valuables helps police identify and return personal property to the rightful owners.

★ What number do I engrave

For personal property, use your Drivers License number or a number that is only traceable to you.

Consider Engraving

- ✓ **Bicycles**
- ✓ **Calculators**
- ✓ **Cameras**
- ✓ **Cell Phones**
- ✓ **CD Players**
- ✓ **Computers**
- ✓ **Handheld (Palms)**
- ✓ **iPods & MP3 Players**
- ✓ **Fax Machines**
- ✓ **Laptops**
- ✓ **Microwaves**
- ✓ **Monitors**
- ✓ **Radios**
- ✓ **Printers, Scanners**
- ✓ **Projectors**
- ✓ **TV**
- ✓ **Tools**
- ✓ **VCR & DVD Players**



★ Where should I mark these items

Using an electronic engraver, mark the number in a very obvious location. The number should be readily visible without marring the appearance of the item.

A second number engraved at a hidden location is recommended.



Remember to record the mark, model and serial number

★ What else can I do to keep my items safe?

Properly locking the doors every time you leave your room.

Storing portable items such as laptops and cameras in locked cabinets, preferably out of sight.

Report suspicious behaviors to security immediately.

Routinely check the status of your assets.