

# Mail & Package Theft Prevention

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**If you see a mail thief at work, or you believe your mail was stolen- call 911 immediately!**

- Never send cash in the mail
- Don't leave outgoing mail unattended in your mailbox for pick up- instead drop it off at the post office
- Choose a shipping method that requires a signature
- Pick up mail promptly, try not to leave mail in box overnight
- If you are going out of town, ask the Post Office to hold your mail until you return
- Ask the delivery service to hold the package for customer pick up
- Track packages/shipments online
- Keep your mailbox in good repair and make sure it's properly installed
- Consider a locking mailbox- contact your local postmaster for regulations
- Consider buying a locking bin for packages
- Arrange to have the package delivered to work or a location where someone else can receive it