

**BLOCK WATCH will give you ideas to improve your home security**

- \* Are your door locks adequate?
- \* Is your strike plate (mounted on the door frame) reinforced with 3 inch screws?
- \* Do you know where all the keys are to your home and office?
- \* Do you lock your doors, windows, garage, and shed when you leave your home, even for a short period of time?



**Engrave your BC Driver's Licence Number on a non-removable part of each item of value in your home.**



**Did you know?**

Many insurance companies give BLOCK WATCH participants a discount on their house insurance. Call your insurance company to enquire!



**ALARMS WORK!**

**However, a watchful neighbour is your best burglar alarm.**

**NEIGHBOURS LOOKING OUT FOR EACH OTHER**



**SIGN UP!**

**AND RECEIVE A BLOCK WATCH SIGN FOR YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD**



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**CRIME PREVENTION STARTS WITH YOU...**



**North Vancouver RCMP BLOCK WATCH**



*Lets work together to prevent crime, and make North Vancouver safe one block at a time*



## What is BLOCK WATCH

- \* Block Watch is a free, community based, crime prevention program operated by the North Vancouver RCMP. It encourages residents to get together and take responsibility to help prevent crime in the community.
- \* Block Watch is all about “neighbours helping neighbours”. Residents form a Block Watch group and create a communication link aided by a Block Map that includes names, phone numbers, emails, and addresses of all participants.
- \* Residents make a commitment to watch out for each other’s homes and report all suspicious activities to Police. They also keep each other informed about any suspicious activities and crime that may occur in their Block.

*Don't sit back. Be proactive and take part in your community. Many burglaries and residential crimes can be prevented if criminals know there are watchful neighbours.*

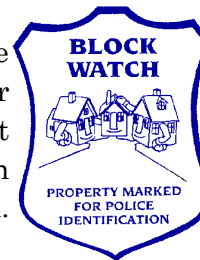
## How do I start a BLOCK WATCH?

- \* Block Watch requires the participation of two or more members of your block, to act as Captain and Co-Captain.
- \* Once the Captain and Co-Captain have been selected, they must submit completed Police Information Check forms and attend a training session at the North Vancouver RCMP Detachment.
- \* The next step is to gather participants from your block by canvassing door to door.
- \* Once you’ve collected contact information from your neighbours, the next step is to create your block map and submit it to the Block Watch Office.



- \* Upon submission of the block map, you are assigned a block number and the City or District will install a BLOCK WATCH sign on your street.

- \* Participants will receive BLOCK WATCH decals for their doors and windows that state their property has been marked for identification.



Property can be marked by engraving your BC Driver’s Licence number on your property.



For more information:

Call the North Vancouver Block Watch Office at 604-969-7553 or email [NVBlockWatch@rcmp-grc.gc.ca](mailto:NVBlockWatch@rcmp-grc.gc.ca)

## What does BLOCK WATCH PROVIDE?

- \* Information about personal safety, home security, decals, engravers, and street signs.
- \* Newsletter and email fan-outs to share information on crime trends and safety tips.
- \* Training about how to properly recognize and report suspicious activities to Police.
- \* An opportunity to help reduce crime and create a safe neighbourhood with a strong connection between residents.

### Two important commitments:

- \* *To be concerned about the property and safety of your neighbours as you would for yourself.*
- \* *To report a crime in progress or any suspicious activity to the police, and then to your Block Watch Captain who will share it with other participants.*

## 911 EMERGENCY CALLS

- \* Crimes in Progress—Break ins/ Vandalism when suspect is present
- \* An individual in imminent danger and/or in harms way
- \* Unusual noises—screaming, breaking glass

## NON- EMERGENCY CALL

**604-985-1311**

Don't assume someone else has called the Police. Three calls received are better than No Calls at all.