



DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY

Public Safety Reminder

Improperly Securing & Locking Your Bicycle Makes It An Easy Target For Thieves.

- Thieves look for bikes vulnerable to parts removal.
- Most thefts of bicycles occur because the lock being used is either a cable lock or is not secured to a bike rack



Do not let this happen to your bike!

- Detach Front Tire
Place Front Tire against side of bike frame near the crank and pedals
- Thread the U-Lock through the bike frame, the front tire and the rear tire.
- If the seat is fastened with a quick release mechanism, it is recommended to take the seat with you.

How To Properly Secure Your Bicycle

Locking without wheel removal



Position your bike frame and wheels so that you fill up or take up as much of the open space within the lock's U portion as possible. The tighter the lock up, the harder it will be for a thief to insert a pry bar and pry open your lock. Notice here that 2 different locks are used.

Locking with removing front wheel



Lock to a fixed, immovable object, a parking meter; or a permanent bike rack cemented or anchored into the ground. It must prevent a thief from slipping the locked bike off over the top of the pole. Beware of locking to items that can easily be cut, broken or removed.

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BICYCLE REGISTRATION

By registering your bicycle, you will increase the chances of recovery should your bicycle ever be lost or stolen. You will also receive a registration sticker. Best of all it's FREE!!! Register at the Department of Public Safety. Lower level of Cowell Hall.

- **DO NOT USE CABLE LOCKS!**