

# **Resident Bicycle Registration Program**

Laguna Woods Village Security is providing a voluntary bicycle registration program for community residents to raise bicycle theft awareness and reduce the number of unrecovered bicycles throughout the Village.

### Why Register?

In the event your bicycle is stolen, the Security Department can quickly locate your bike's identifying information and provide it to the Orange County Sheriff's Department, which increases the chance of recovering your bicycle. Any information provided is confidential and is not shared outside of Laguna Woods Village or the Orange County Sheriff's Department.

Bicycle registration also aids in identifying residents in the event of a collision. Many bicyclists do not carry identification when out for a ride.

#### How to Register

Submit two photos of your bicycle: <u>one full-frame photo and one photo of the serial number,</u> which may be located in one of the areas:

- Underside of crank
- Rear stays
- Top of crank
- Headset
- Seat downtube next to crank

If you need assistance with your photos, ask a neighbor or friend for help. You can email your application and photos to <u>chief@vmsinc.org.</u>

Complete the attached bicycle registration form and return it to Security <u>(along with your bicycle photos)</u> to one of the addresses listed below. Personnel will enter your information into a departmentwide database.

	Security Department	
Dispatch Department 949-580-1400	24361 El Toro Road Suite # 205	
	Laguna Woods, CA 92637	



# **Bicycle Theft Prevention Tips**

- Always lock your bike, even if you leave it for just a moment.
- Always lock your bike's frame and wheels.
- Lock your bike even when it's stored in a garage or on a porch or a patio.
- Remove all detachable items such as lights, bags and quick-release parts.
- Lock your bicycle to a bike rack or a firmly affixed (bolts covered in concrete) object such as a parking meter or sign pole.
- Purchase the most expensive lock you can afford. U-locks are strong; better quality locks come with theft warranties.
- Only buy a U-lock with a flat or disc key; cylindrical-keyed locks are easier for thieves to pick.

## In the Event of Theft

- Call the Orange County Sheriff's Department nonemergency phone number to report a theft.
- Call Laguna Woods Village Security to report a theft.

Orange County Sheriff's Department	Laguna Woods Village	
Non- Emergency Phone	Security Dispatch	
949-770-6011	949-580-1400	



### **Resident Bicycle Registration Form**

Full name	
Home phone	Cell phone
Email	
Address	

Laguna Woods, CA 92637

Make and Model		Serial Number
Number of Speeds		Color
Frame (circle one)		Other Identifiers
Men	Women	

**Email Photos** 

Yes No

By submitting this form to the Laguna Woods Village Security Department, I authorize this information to be used by local authorities in the event of theft or collision.

<b>Resident Signature</b>	Date	