

You can minimize your chances of being a victim of vehicle burglary by taking a few simple steps:

- ★ Keep all doors and windows closed and locked—even if it's a quick errand. This sounds like common sense, but many vehicle burglaries occur when the doors were not locked or a window was down.
- ★ Do not leave valuables or packages in plain view in your vehicle. It may make you a target. If you must leave valuables in the car, put them in the trunk.
- ★ Do not try to conceal items under seats or in glove compartments. Suspects know these tactics and they will sometimes wait in parking lots of gyms, schools, parks, etc. to watch where victims hide their belongings.
- ★ Park your vehicle in an area that is visible to the public and well-lit at night.
- ★ Never leave an electronic garage door opener in the vehicle. It can provide a thief easy access to your home.
- ★ Leave valuables at home. Keep any necessary valuables like keys, identification, and credit cards on your person.
- ★ If your car is burglarized, please report it to law enforcement or call 9-1-1 immediately.

These simple steps should be used whenever you park your vehicle, whether you are just “out for a minute” or parking for the evening.



Sheriff Sid J. Gautreaux III

VEHICLE BURGLARY Deterrent Awareness Report

EAST BATON ROUGE
SHERIFF'S OFFICE

DOES *YOUR* VEHICLE PASS?

Message From The Sheriff

Most burglaries are crimes of opportunity. By taking some simple steps to protect yourself and your valuables you can decrease your chances of becoming a victim.



The majority of reported vehicle burglaries are committed because the victims left their valuables in their vehicle and left the door unlocked. We are doing what we can to deter burglaries, but we need your help.

Remember, a few simple steps can remove the opportunity for crime.


SHERIFF NICK CHAUTREAUX, ILL.

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PASS

FAIL

☐☐

Door(s) locked.

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No window(s) opened or cracked.

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No package(s) or valuables in plain view.

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Other _____.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

Your vehicle passed a random inspection.

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SORRY!

Your vehicle failed a random inspection.

Deputy: _____

Date: _____