

SANTA CLARA POLICE DEPARTMENT

CRIME ALERT

<u>Package Theft</u> is one of the most common crimes. Follow the crime prevention tips below to protect your valuables:

- Choose a shipping option with a required delivery signature (and tell friends and relatives who may be shipping you packages to do the same).
- Keep an eye on the package's delivery status so you know when to expect it (then you can either be home or leave a note for the delivery person to deliver it to a neighbor). If friends/relatives are sending something, ask them to send you the tracking number.
- Get to know your carriers. Typically they have the same person on 'your route'. Introduce yourself and get to know them where possible. Having a connection to who is delivering your packages will help get better service. If there has been a problem with stolen packages in your neighborhood, tell them about it.
- Ship the package to another location if you aren't generally home such as your office or a neighbor/friends' home. (Check work to make sure this is allowed.)
- Leave special instructions where to deliver packages if you are not going to be home.
- Choose "delivery pick up" so they hold your package rather than leave it on your vacant doorstep.
- Insure your packages, just to be safe.
- Contact **SCPD** if you see someone suspicious on the property.

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