



A CRIME AWARENESS PROGRAM



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF TOWN WATCH



What is Dog Walker Watch?

A crime awareness program that encourages dog walkers throughout the area to assist as “extra eyes and ears” in the ongoing crime prevention efforts.

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Why Implement a Dog Walker Watch?



There are dozens, if not hundreds, of dog walkers throughout the community at all times of the day, all days of the week, in all weather conditions, who are often preoccupied with texting, emailing, music and phone calls during their neighborhood walks.





How Dog Walker Watch Works

The program trains you how to effectively observe and report criminal activity as you are routinely out in your neighborhood.

Those who know the neighborhood best (you) now become more aware and less hesitant to report suspicious activity.



THE GOAL OF DOG WALKER WATCH

Let criminals know that dog walkers
DO REPORT suspicious activity.
Criminals will then go elsewhere!



95%

of police arrests are
the direct result of a
citizen's phone call.

What does that mean?

**The Police Department
needs your help!**



Local Crime Trends and Statistics

What type of criminal activity is occurring in our neighborhood?

how often?

where?

who?

what time?



What is Suspicious?



- **People aren't suspicious, behavior is!**
- Does the person(s) appear to have a destination?
- Is the person(s) in a hurry? (i.e. sense of urgency).
- A person or child resisting the advances of another individual.
- Unusual behavior: walking to rear of property, canvassing, unusual mental or physical symptoms.
- **It's that gut feeling that something is wrong.**



What is Suspicious?



- A vehicle parked in an unusual location.
- An occupied vehicle that **might not** belong.
- An unoccupied idling vehicle at any location.
- Property in a vehicle (i.e. television, laptop, pillow cases, etc.).
- Person(s) with **no defined direction** walking amongst parked cars.
- A vehicle traveling at an extremely low rate or high rate of speed.
- **A vehicle driving with no headlights.** Intoxicated?
- Apparent business transactions conducted from vehicle.



Example Of Suspicious Behavior

- An individual knocks on your door and claims to be at the wrong location, asks for a nonexistent person, or appears suspicious.
- **An uniform and clipboard does not mean they are who they appear to be.**

Local canvassing and solicitation laws (time, registration, etc.)



When Should I Call 9-1-1?

Anytime a police response is needed.

REMEMBER:

You are not bothering us.





Nature of the emergency:

What is going on?
Description of subject.
Weapons? Time of incident.



Where are you?:

Address, street name,
landmark, location, etc.



Your information:

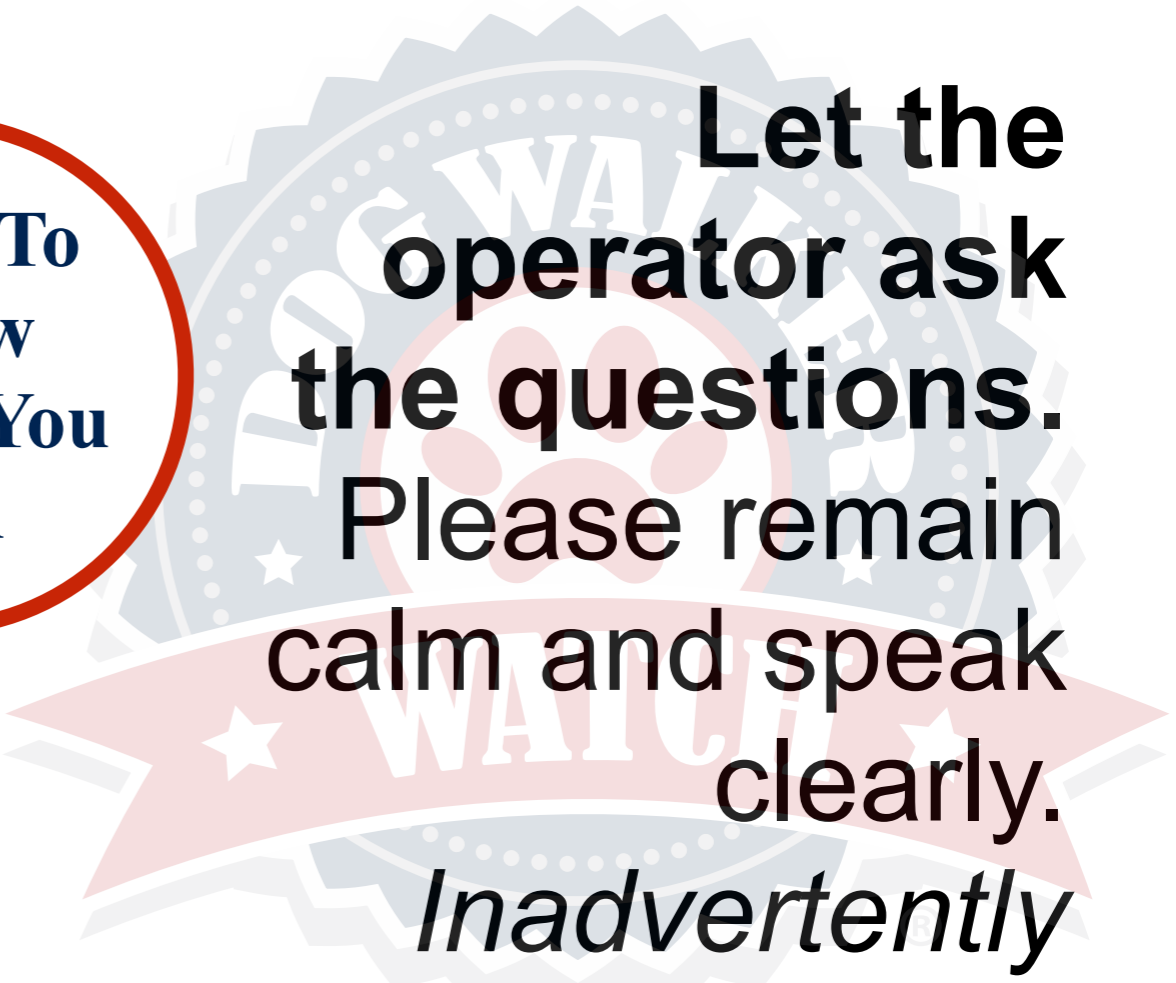
Your name and your
phone number.



**Are you available
to speak with an
officer?**

**What To
Know
When You
Call**

Remember...



**Let the
operator ask
the questions.
Please remain
calm and speak
clearly.
*Inadvertently
call 9-1-1?*
Don't hang up.**





Break your routine. If you typically walk at 6:30PM around the block - change it up.

Bring a flashlight at night. And, don't forget your cell phone.



Lock your door. Keep a television or light on to create the impression you're home.

**How
Can I
Stay
Safe?**



Questions & Answers



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