



## What is Operation Identification?

Operation Identification is a citizen's burglary prevention program for use in homes and businesses. The Operation ID program involves the marking of property with an identifying number as a means of discouraging burglary and theft. In communities where it has been properly implemented, Operation ID has shown dramatic results in its ability to reduce burglaries.

### How Does It Work?

**FIRST**, mark your valuables with your Driver's License Number so that your property can be easily traced and identified as yours.

**SECOND**, keep a record of all the information you gathered.

### How Can You Participate?

To participate in Operation Identification call the UIW Police Department to borrow an electric engraving tool. The UIWPD offers this service free of charge to our Community. You can also bring items for marking to our office.

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## How Do I Engrave My Own Property?

Your Driver's License Number should be used as your identifying mark on the valuables that you engrave. A typical marking should look like this:

**TXDL12345678**

The Driver's License Number should be engraved on an area that cannot be easily dismantled, and which is not easily seen. After marking your property, make a list of your valuables and keep a copy of the list in a safe place. If you should subsequently become a burglary victim, you will be able to quickly describe the stolen property from the list. This will be of great help to the police in their attempts to recover the stolen property.

### Marking Textbooks

**First**, pick a page number.

**Second**, pick a word or phrase.

**Third**, choose top or bottom.

Mark all textbooks with this information **"IN INK"**

Example: Page-42, "Don't Panic" written in the bottom left corner.

The University of the Incarnate Word Police Department offers a 1 hour "Operation ID" presentation that covers the topics listed in this brochure and many more.

**To schedule a full 1 hour  
"Operation ID"  
presentation, contact:**

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<http://www.uiw.edu/police/training.html>

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**Emergency: 911**

**Non Emergency:  
210-829-6030**

