

JOBSITE THEFT

Safety Topic V6-1001

Conduct, Site Safety

Tools, materials, and equipment left unsecured can disappear quickly, costing time, money, and productivity. Taking simple precautions can help prevent losses and keep the job running smoothly. Every worker has a role in protecting the site.

- Tools and materials should never be left unattended or unsecured at the end of the shift, even if you think you'll be back in a few minutes.
- Thieves often target jobsites early in the morning, after hours, or during weekends when fewer people are around.

Secure Tools and Equipment

Always lock up tools and small equipment when they're not in use or at the end of your shift. Chain or lock larger tools and machinery, and park them in well-lit areas whenever possible. Remove all valuable items from company trucks at the end of the day and make sure vehicle doors are locked.

Protect Personal Belongings

Keep your personal items out of sight and locked in your vehicle or other secure area. Wallets, phones, and keys left in open view can be an easy target. Never assume that everyone on the jobsite is trustworthy or that theft can't happen on your project.

Report Suspicious Activity

If you see unfamiliar individuals wandering around the site, vehicles parked where they shouldn't be, or missing tools or materials, notify your supervisor immediately. Quick reporting can help identify patterns and prevent future incidents.

Work as a Team

A jobsite with alert and responsible workers is less likely to be targeted. Make it a habit to look out for each other's tools and equipment. At the end of each shift, double-check that everything is put away and locked up before leaving.



SECURE THE SITE



Discussion

What security measures could make your current jobsite less vulnerable to theft?

In what ways could jobsite theft affect the project schedule or the team's morale?