

Trespass



The Everett Police Department is working with our local residents and business owners who are affected by individuals that are trespassing on their property. Trespassing is a crime and it is important for community members to recognize when behavior becomes illegal.

Simply put, trespassing is the act of an uninvited or unauthorized person entering private property. At times this behavior includes overnight camping, use of exterior electric outlets and water bibs, littering, defecation, discarding of drug paraphernalia and other nuisances.

Property owners, managers and citizens have the right to keep their property clean, safe and inviting to guests and customers.



Crime Prevention Tips:

If property owners file a Notice of Intent to Prosecute with the Everett Police Department AND post ample warnings on their property, officers have the authority to enter private property and enforce laws, including Everett's Municipal Trespass Ordinance. The required verbiage for signage is: "No Trespassing" AND "Violators will be Prosecuted." Business owners must also post the prohibited hours for trespassing.

Businesses experiencing problems may want to consider locking public bathrooms, exterior trash bins and gates. Consideration should be given to securing external electricity and water outlets on all buildings.

Maintain your landscape with all bushes and shrubs no taller than 36 inches and limb trees up to seven feet to provide a clear line of sight and create an environment where no one can hide.

Use lighting to eliminate dark areas on your property at night. Check with PUD for lighting incentives.

Call 911 immediately if someone is trespassing on your property.

Register your property online with SMART911.

For more information: www.everettwa.gov/CrimePrevention

For emergencies, call 911



Help prevent crime
Report ALL trespass events
It's easy - Call 911

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