

## Suspect description

Sex \_\_\_ Race \_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_

Hair color \_\_\_\_\_ Length \_\_\_\_\_

Eyes \_\_\_\_\_ Skin condition \_\_\_\_\_

Facial hair \_\_\_\_\_

### Clothing

Coat \_\_\_\_\_ Shirt \_\_\_\_\_

Pants \_\_\_\_\_ Hat \_\_\_\_\_

Shoes \_\_\_\_\_ Glasses \_\_\_\_\_

Other features

Scars \_\_\_\_\_

Tattoos \_\_\_\_\_

Speech \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Vehicle Description

Make \_\_\_\_\_ Model \_\_\_\_\_

Year \_\_\_\_\_ Color \_\_\_\_\_

License Plate # \_\_\_\_\_

Damage/Marks/Stickers \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Direction of travel \_\_\_\_\_

Number of occupants \_\_\_\_\_

Don't assume that someone else has called the police. Don't worry about "bothering" the police and don't worry about being embarrassed if your suspicions prove to be unfounded. It is always better to act than to think about what could happen if you didn't act at all.



Remember, police officers can't be everywhere at once. They rely on you to be their eyes and ears in your neighborhood. You may have important information they can't see or hear from a patrol car.



**For more information  
call the  
Pleasanton Police Department  
Crime Prevention Unit at  
(925) 931-5233 or  
(925) 931-5240**

# What is Suspicious?



**And how do you  
report it?**



**Pleasanton Police Department  
4833 Bernal Avenue  
Pleasanton, CA 94566  
(925) 931-5100**

## What is suspicious activity?

Suspicious activity is anything that is not normal to YOU in your neighborhood, business, or city, especially people or vehicles that seem out of place or activity that you believe may be criminal.

Now, not everyone you don't recognize in your neighborhood is up to no good. Chances are that the delivery person you see across the street is probably just doing his or her job. But if something doesn't feel right don't hesitate to call the police and let officers find out what is happening. Remember, it is NEVER a bother for officers to respond to what you believe may be suspicious activity. If you wait, it may be too late.

You may call Pleasanton Police 24-hours a day by using the non-emergency number:

**(925) 931-5100**

Or in an emergency situation, dial:  
**9-1-1**

When you dial 9-1-1, it means an emergency has occurred or is imminent and there is a need for immediate response from police or fire.

When you call police, dispatchers will want to know the following information:

**The Location** of the emergency. Be specific. "The southwest corner of First Street and Bernal Avenue" is better than "Somewhere down First"

**Type of Emergency**: A robbery in progress, a house fire, a fist fight, an unconscious person ....  
Weapons involved: Guns, knives, bottles, even a vehicle.

**Who is involved**: Someone you know? How many? Give descriptions.

**Any obstacles**: Anything that might hinder emergency units from responding. A tree in the roadway, a large crowd of people, vehicle in the road. The facts: Please don't exaggerate. Be factual and honest.. Offer only what you are sure of. If you are unsure or don't know, tell that to the dispatcher.

## Here are some examples of when and why you should call police about all suspicious activity



### Suspicious People

- **Door to door "sales"**  
Can be suspicious if, after a few houses are visited, one or more of the subjects goes into a back or side yard. More suspicious if another remains in the front when this happens. Possible significance: Could be "casing" for a house to burglarize; a burglary in progress; soliciting violation; trespassing.
- **Hanging out in front of a house, business, or vehicle**  
Particularly suspicious if home owners are absent or if the business is closed. Possible significance: Could be a burglary in progress.
- **Forcing entrance into or tampering with a vehicle or residence.**  
Almost always suspicious. Possible significance: Could be a burglary, theft, malicious mischief, or trespass in progress.
- **Unknown person going into back or side yard of a house**  
Almost always suspicious. Possible significance: Burglary or trespass in progress.
- **Person running**  
May be suspicious depending on time of day and/or clothing worn. More suspicious if person is carrying something of value. Possible significance: Fleeing the scene of a crime.
- **Someone acting strangely or exhibiting unusual mental or physical symptoms**  
Possible significance: Could be an injured person, someone under the influence of drugs, or needing medical or psychological assistance.

## Suspicious Vehicles

**Vehicles moving slowly or without lights at night**  
Particularly suspicious if the course appears aimless or repetitive. This suspicious in any location but especially in areas of schools, parks or playgrounds. Possible significance: Could be "casing" for people to rob or places to burglarize. Possible drug dealer or sex-offender.

### Certain parked, occupied vehicles

May contain one or more persons. Especially significant if seen at an unusual hour. Possible significance: Possible "lookout" for a burglary or other crime in progress, possible drug activity.

### Vehicles being loaded with valuables

Suspicious if parked in front of a closed business or a residence where no one is home. Suspicious even if vehicle looks "legitimate." Possible significance: Burglary or theft in progress.

### Abandoned vehicle

Possible significance: An unknown vehicle left sitting for several days could be stolen.

### Vehicle with door propped open or someone part-way inside

Possible significance: Could be a victim vehicle or a burglary in progress.



## Other Unusual Situations

### Open doors or broken windows

At a closed business or whose owners are temporarily absent. Possible significance: Could be a burglary in progress or scene of a completed burglary.

### Unusual noises, etc...

Gunshots or fireworks, screaming, sounds of fighting, abnormally barking dogs — anything suggestive of foul play, danger or illegal activity.