

Bicycle Registration Program

As a public service to its citizens, Penn Township sponsors a crime prevention program aimed at reducing bicycle thefts and increasing the rate of recovery of stolen bicycles. Every year the police recover numerous bicycles which they cannot match to owners because most people simply do not record the necessary identifying information for their valuable bicycles. The Penn Township/Hanover Borough Bicycle Registration Program has created an information database so that, if a registered bicycle is stolen, identifying information is on file and readily accessible to the respective police departments. Chances of recovering a stolen bicycle are greatly increased if this information is available.

Registration is offered at no charge to area residents at any of the following locations:

Penn Township Police Department, 20 Wayne Avenue, Hanover

Monday through Friday, 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Hanover Borough Police Department, 44 Frederick Street, Hanover

Monday through Friday 8 A.M. - 5 P.M.

Bicycle rodeos sponsored by either Police Department.

Other special events approved by the Penn Township or Hanover Borough Police Chief.

The registration procedure is simple:

- Pick up a registration form, available to you at either police station.
- Complete the registration form with the following essential information: owner's name, address, and phone number; bicycle make, model and color; features of the bicycle (speed, accessories); serial number. Only bicycles with serial numbers can be registered through the program.
- Return the completed form to the police department and receive a sticker which shows your individual registration number.
- Place the sticker on either the seat tube or the head tube of the registered bike.

It's that simple. . .and will facilitate the recovery and return of your family's bicycles if they are lost or stolen.

Bicycle Safety Tips

Know the law and talk to your children about riding safely and legally; all riders are required to obey the law. Penn Township Police Department actively enforces applicable laws for the safety of our citizens of all ages.

All riders are strongly encouraged to wear protective helmets to reduce head injuries; children under the age of 12 are *required* to wear approved safety helmets while riding a bicycle.

Riders should wear clothing designed for high visibility that will readily catch a motorist's eye.

All bicycles must be equipped with operable brakes.

All bicycles operated between sunset and sunrise must be equipped with head lamps to illuminate the bicyclist's path, and a rear reflector and amber reflective side markers.