

**PROTECT YOUR PACKAGES** : Like many communities around the country, we've seen an increase in Loudoun County recently of package theft – “porch piracy,” as it's become known – especially of packages containing electronic devices.

To deter would-be thieves, we highly recommend that you consider some of the following actions to protect your packages.

- Choose the “pick-up in-store” option to avoid delivery altogether.
- If you do need an item delivered:
- Schedule the delivery and choose the option to require a signature for the delivery.
- Have the item delivered to a secure location such as your place of work, post office box, a UPS or FedEx store, Amazon Locker, or to a friend or family member who will be home (and can SIGN for the package).

And remember... NEVER confront a porch pirate directly; you never know the lengths they're willing to go to steal your packages.

Emergency = 9-1-1

Non-Emergency = 703-777-1021

