

# Policing in Pitt Meadows

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## Protect Your Packages from Theft



**Online shopping is easy and convenient and has quickly become the preferred way to shop. However, it has also made it easier for thieves to snatch packages that have been left outside. Keep your packages safe with these tips:**

- Have packages delivered to a secure location. Deliveries typically occur in the daytime when most people are working. Sending your packages to a secure location such as your place of work is a great option to prevent theft. Many delivery services also include the option to require a signature, sign up for email/text alerts or set the pick-up location to a Canada Post office for example.
- Opt for in-store pickup or use click-and-collect. Many retailers let you pick up purchases at a local store. As a bonus, there's usually no delivery fee for in-store pickup. Click-and-collect is also a great option.
- Install visible security cameras. Having a camera at your front door or driveway is one of the best deterrents for criminals. Be sure to also post a warning sign that states your property is under CCTV surveillance.
- Use a mail lock box. There are smart mailbox parcel delivery boxes and smart locks available on the market. This should be bolted down so that it cannot be removed. You can then give the key code to the delivery company.

### Pitt Meadows Community Policing Office

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#### Hours of Operation

8:00am to 4:00pm  
Monday to Friday

### What can the Community Policing Office do for you?

The Community Policing Office is a close and convenient place for residents to:

- Report a crime
- Obtain a criminal record check
- Find safety information
- Get advice or talk to a police officer

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