

# Marco Island Police Department



Marco Island is a boating community, which includes 22 miles of shoreline, 7 large bays, the Marco River, three creeks, two small islands and 290 canals. It takes an active partnership between neighbors, the community, and law enforcement to stop these thefts. The Island's unique geography make it imperative that we all help watch over our neighbor's homes and boats. As boat theft is a growing problem in Southwest Florida boat owners must protect their boating investment and keep an eye out for suspicious behavior around vessels in the area. Boat thieves are attracted to vessels that are easy to access or in a remote location.

## **STOLEN VESSEL WARNING!!**

Boater owners can reduce the risk of theft by the following methods include:

- Move the boat lift's electrical power shut-off inside your house.
- Secure the boat to the lift.
- Secure the lift to the dock.
- Install an alarm system on your dock.
- Install a GPS enable alarm system on your boat.
- Installing covert fuel cut-off or ignition / battery switches.
- Exterior lighting that shines on your vessel and dock.
- Remove the keys from your boat when on the lift.
- Removing all valuables to include GPS, Radar, and Radios.
- Report all and any suspicious activity.

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**For Information Only.** Please contact the Marco Island Police Department if you have any questions. This is still an active case and further information is still being obtained.