

# ***Wisconsin Crime Prevention Practitioners Association***

## **Summer Safety**

Summer brings us all out and about as we enjoy the warmer weather. As we try to take our mind away from work and school, we need to still focus on keeping ourselves and our property safe. We have listed a few reminders to help you make it through summer injury and crime free!

### **Bike Safety**

- Make sure your children wear helmets and that they are fitted properly.
- Bicycles are considered vehicles and must obey all traffic laws as a car would.
- When riding at night, make sure that your bike is equipped with lights and reflectors.
- Make sure that your bike is licensed. A license will help in getting it returned if lost/stolen.
- Lock your bike!

### **Playgrounds**

- Loose fitting clothing, necklaces, drawstrings make a child susceptible to getting caught.
- Some playground areas are more age appropriate. Big kids play differently than little ones.
- No pushing or shoving and take your turn on the playground equipment.
- Check metal and plastic surfaces to make sure they are not too hot.
- Sunburn can happen quickly, make sure that everyone has sunscreen.

### **Water Safety**

- Never swim alone! Actively supervise kids in and around open bodies of water.
- Follow the rules of the pool—no running, water slide safety, diving.
- Wear a properly fitted life jacket if boating.
- Don't rely on swimming aids (water wings, noodles) to aid weak swimmers.
- River and lake bottoms can have hazards such as rocks or other sharp items.

### **Home Safety**

- Before going anywhere, make sure your children let someone know where they are going.
- Lock your doors and close garage doors overnight. Most crimes are crimes of opportunity.

## **Have a great and safe summer!**

*If you would like further information on summer safety,  
please speak to your local crime prevention officer*

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