

## Description Sheet

Sex \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Race \_\_\_\_\_  
Height \_\_\_\_\_ Weight \_\_\_\_\_ Hair \_\_\_\_\_  
Eyes \_\_\_\_\_ Complexion \_\_\_\_\_

### Physical Characteristics

(Describe whether slight or heavy build, scars, marks, tattoos, manner of walk, mustache, glasses, etc.)

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### Clothing

(Type and color. Use diagram as a guide.)

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### Weapons

(Note whether revolver, automatic, rifle, shotgun, knife, etc.)

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### Remarks

(Note anything the suspect says, accents, names used, etc.)

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### Means of Escape, Vehicle

(Lic. No., make, model, year, color)

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### On Foot

(What Direction)

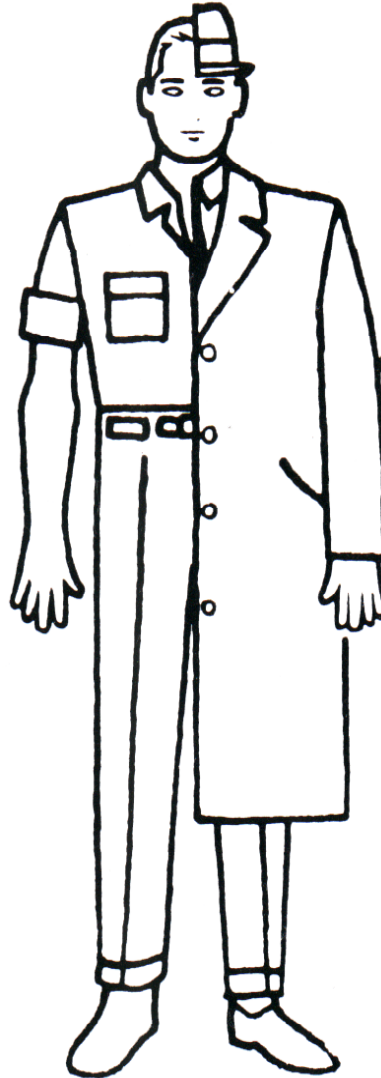
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# Suspect Description Chart

(Use this chart to help identify any distinguishing characteristics of a suspect)



# Bag Protection



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# Bag Snatching

The crime of bag snatching has increased and will continue to rise until people take precautionary measures. It is a problem that everyone should be aware of. In addition to property loss, serious physical injury can result. Like most crimes, bag snatching is a crime of opportunity. It occurs because people, provide the thief with opportunity. Being aware of how you are carrying your bag can help you prevent its theft.

## Tips for Protection

### Do's

1. Carry shoulder strap bags with the strap over the shoulder, flap nearest your body and keep your hand on the strap.
2. Carry clutch bag upside down with your hand on the flap so that everything will fall out if grabbed.
3. Keep your bag under physical control at all times.
4. When possible, carry your wallet, keys and other valuables in an inside pocket or other suitable place other than your bag.
5. Credit cards and checks should be carried instead of cash. Maintain a record of the account numbers at home. Practice carrying only those credit cards you will be using.
6. If you are wearing a coat, carry the shoulder bag.
7. Watch your surroundings. Be alert for suspicious persons especially around banks, stores , streets and **your home**.

8. When shopping, place your bag in a shopping bag.
9. Shop with a friend when possible.
10. At night, stay in well-lit areas and avoid walking close to shrubbery, dark doorways or other places of concealment.
11. Carry a shrill alarm device or a whistle attached to a key chain for summoning help. These items must be carried in your hand or on your person to be useful. Use these devices prior to or after the attack. If they're used during the attack, it might trigger a violent reaction from the assailant.
12. If you are attacked and there are witnesses, ask them to stay until the police arrive.
13. Notify the police immediately after an attack.

### Dont's

1. Don't let your bag hang loosely in your hand.
2. Don't carry large amounts of money.
3. Don't carry unnecessary valuables in your bag.
4. Don't carry any lethal weapons, it could be used against you.
5. Don't fight if attacked. Surrender the bag.

# The Bag Snatcher

The thief is usually under the age of 18. Most bag snatchers are male; however, females are also a threat. Generally the culprit is in good physical condition and is quick and agile. In many cases, bicycles are used to increase speed.

## Method of Operation

The bag snatcher usually approaches the victim from behind, or catching the victim when he/she are caught off guard. The bag snatcher also strikes a person who is walking home, to or from their car, or waiting for public transportation. Sometimes the bag snatcher might even ask for the time or directions to make you feel more at ease, to drop your guard, or preoccupy you.

## Laptop Cases/Bags

Use the same "Tips for Protections Do's and Don'ts" for carrying bags/purses when carrying a laptop cases/bags.