



GENERAL POLICE ORDER CLEVELAND DIVISION OF POLICE



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SUBJECT: <b style="text-align: center;">WATERCRAFT THEFT TITLES			
ASSOCIATED MANUAL:		RELATED ORDERS:	
CHIEF OF POLICE: <b style="text-align: center;"><i>Edward F. Lohn, Chief</i>			

PURPOSE: To state guidelines to title theft of watercraft reports.

POLICY: It is the policy of the Cleveland Division of Police to use the dollar value threshold in ORC 2913.02 to title reports of stolen watercraft.

PROCEDURES:

- I. To make a report for the theft of a watercraft which is fourteen feet in length or more and has an outboard motor of ten horsepower or more, the term “Watercraft” shall be added to the title of the report.

- II. Watercrafts less than fourteen feet in length which have an outboard motor with less than ten horsepower shall be titled as property crimes.

- III. The penalty classification of theft involving a watercraft is related to the dollar value of the craft.
 - A. If the value of the watercraft is less than five hundred dollars, the crime is petty theft, a misdemeanor of the first degree.

 - B. If the value of the watercraft is five hundred dollars or more and less than five thousand dollars, the crime is theft, a felony of the fifth degree.

 - C. If the value of the watercraft is five thousand dollars or more and is less than one hundred thousand dollars, the crime is grand theft, a felony of the fourth degree.

 - D. If the value of the watercraft is one hundred thousand dollars or more, the crime is aggravated theft, a felony of the third degree.

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- IV.** Watercraft subject to a police investigation, which cannot be turned over to the owner, shall be police towed to Impound Lot #2, following the procedures for towing motor vehicles. If the boat does not have a trailer, the Harbor Unit shall be notified and they shall make tow arrangements.