

## Bicycle security and theft prevention:

1. Register your bicycle: All bicycles on-campus can be registered online @ <https://police.wvutech.edu/safety-resources/bicycle-registration>. Bicycle registration helps prevent theft and assists with the recovery of stolen bicycles.
2. Lock your bicycle: Always lock your bicycle with a strong U shaped lock or heavy gauge chain (not a cable lock that can be cut easily) at a designated bicycle rack — even if it is only going to be on the rack for a few minutes.
3. Lock as much of the bicycle as possible. Remove the front wheel if there is quick release; put it next to the back wheel; run the lock through both rims, the frame, and a bicycle rack.
4. Make sure the lock is not near the ground where a thief can use a hammer or rock to smash the lock.
5. Do not lock your bicycle to a sign, pole, or railing or you risk your bicycle being impounded. If a parked bicycle impedes a walkway, entrance, or access point, it will be impounded.
6. If your bicycle is stolen, please report it immediately to University Police by calling 304.929.COPS (2677).

