

# To Protect Yourself From Becoming A Sex Crime Victim Or The Like

Molestation as well as rapes targeted at women and children has been occurring one after another in areas of Fukuoka Prefecture. It is dangerous to suppose that you are excluded from becoming a target of such crimes.

Why don't you make it a rule to "always lock all your doors and windows" instead of thinking, "I'm okay".

"Prevention is better than cure." Wouldn't you say so?

## WHAT TO DO TO AVOID CRIMES THAT ARE COMMITTED IN THE FOLLOWING ENVIRONMENTS

### When you walk in a street at night...

- Don't walk home alone! Walk with someone such as a friend.
- Always choose busy streets that are well lit.
- Don't concentrate on your cell phone while walking!
- Always carry a crime prevention buzzer, and hold it in your hand in such a way that your buzzer can be seen from any direction, by which you can give a message to anyone who sees you that you are ready to give a loud buzz anytime.

### When you get in an elevator...

- Beware of others near you when you get in an elevator. Be sure that you are not jumping in an elevator with sinister-looking men near you.  
You can wait for another car.
- Stand in the corner closest to the emergency button.



### In daily life in general...

- Lock and chain the front door of your house whenever you are in.
- Beware of others near you when unlocking a door of your house.  
(You can be shoved into your house, locked up, and victimized.)
- Make sure that all your windows as well as all your doors are always locked; there are burglars, molesters, and rapists who enter apartments through windows of the rooms that are located on upper floors of high-rise condominiums.  
(In fact, they used a rope to land on the balcony of such apartments.)

### For those who are living alone

- Do not display your first name and middle name at your front door or on your mailbox.
- Make sure that you shred paper bearing your name and address such as unnecessary direct mail or the like before throwing away. (Some burglars, molesters, and rapists pick your identity through your garbage.)
- Dry your laundry in such a way that your underwear cannot be seen from the streets facing your balcony. (One way to avoid underwear-thieves is to dry men's laundry to be seen; women's underwear should be dried unseen, as women's underwear is almost always the target.)

## REQUEST FROM POLICE

- Please give us information on strangers loitering in your neighborhood if any.  
Don't hesitate to dial 110 if need be.
- Please contact us if you are tailed by someone such as a stalker or the like; also, contact us if your ex-boyfriend(s) or family member(s) should commit violence on you.

**Don't hesitate to dial 110 in an emergency!**

