

Copy of Police Reports

To request a copy of a police report you must fill out a Freedom of Information Act Form. The forms are available at the department's administrative office. After filling out the form, wait seven business days to pick up the response to your request. The fee for reports is \$.07 per page. The exception to this is traffic crash reports which may be obtained once report is complete for a \$5.00 fee. Any questions should be directed to the Records Division at 815-462-6100 Monday—Friday 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Enhanced Neighborhood Watch

As our community grows the police department is constantly evaluating its policing strategies. It has become readily apparent that each of our subdivisions has specific issues that need to be addressed. In an effort to strengthen our partnership with the community, the Police Department has assigned a specific officer to each subdivision or area. Each officer will develop a contact person(s) within their assigned subdivision. The contact person will then be able to share issues and concerns specific to the subdivision or particular area. The information will then be forwarded to the appropriate division within the police department such as traffic, investigations or perhaps the Chief's Office. This partnership will facilitate solving problems of mutual concern and will enhance the quality of life for residents of the community. Individuals interested in becoming a contact person should contact the Community Policing division of the Police Department at: 815-462-6100.

Police Accountability

Police complaints, concerns or compliments may be directed to the shift sergeant on duty at the station, 701 W. Haven Avenue, New Lenox, 815-485-2500.



**For more information,
contact us:**

New Lenox Police Department

701 W. Haven Avenue

New Lenox, Illinois 60451

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www.newlenox.net**



**Welcome to
the Village of
New Lenox**

The New Lenox Police Department would like to welcome you and make you aware of some of our Village ordinances since they may differ from other villages and states. We also like to keep you informed regarding some of our programs available to residents. This is not a complete list and is intended as a general guide. If you would like more information please visit our website at www.newlenox.net or contact the numbers listed in this brochure.

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Welcome Neighbor!

In Illinois:

- Illinois driver's licenses must be obtained within 30 days of moving.
- Illinois has a graduated driver's system for people under 18.
- Illinois registration must be obtained within 90 days of moving.
- Front and rear license plates are required.
- Right turn on red allowed after complete stop, unless posted otherwise.
- When using your windshield wipers, your headlights are required to be on.
- Passing a school bus with its stop arm extended is a \$150 fine and a 3 month driver's license suspension.
- There are laws against excessively noisy stereos and exhaust systems.
- The breath alcohol content (BAC) limit is .08% (.00% for drivers under 21)
- Firearm owners identification (FOID) cards are required for gun owners.
- Illinois collects traffic stop data to combat racial profiling and bias based policing.
- Curfew: Those under 17 must be in by 11:00 p.m. Sunday through Thursday and by Midnight on Friday and Saturday.

In New Lenox:

Police Reporting

- Emergency **911** (Police, Fire & Rescue)
- Non-Emergency calls for service 815-485-2500
- Administration & Records 815-462-6100 Monday—Friday 8:30 a.m.—5:00 p.m.
- Station is located at 701 W. Haven Avenue in New Lenox.

Parking

- Do not park against the flow of traffic
- Do not park over 12 inches from the curb
- Do not Park within 20 feet of a crosswalk
- Do not Park within 30 feet of a traffic control device (light or sign)
- Do not park on a sidewalk
- Do not park within 15' of a fire hydrant
- Village code provides for ticketing of vehicles on the roadway when snow depth reaches 2" or greater.

Parking/Compliance (PC) Tickets

Certain vehicle equipment violations may be written as compliance tickets. PC tickets are an alternative to writing an equipment violation on a traffic ticket, which have higher fines.

Local Ordinance (LO) Tickets

Certain village ordinance violations, some of which mirror state law, may be written as LO tickets. Court appearances may be avoided by paying the fine prior to the court date.

Alarm Ordinance

If more than three alarms are received during a one-year period, which are false, there shall be a \$10.00 fine for the fourth false alarm. For each false alarm thereafter in any such one-year period there shall be an additional \$25.00 fine.

Administrative Tow Fee

To deter motor vehicle owners from committing violations of certain laws the Police Department will assess a \$500 administrative fee to assist the Police Department with costs incurred in preparing, prosecuting, hearing and disposing of violations.

Code Enforcement/ Inspections

Complaints of substandard housing may be directed to the Building Department at 815-485-6452. Weeds, garbage, graffiti and other building code violations may be reported to Code Enforcement at the same number.

Traffic Calming

Besides regular enforcement, chronic speeding and other traffic complaints are addressed by the Parking Traffic and Advisory Board (PTAB), which reviews speed and diversion studies. If criteria are met, the PTAB makes recommendations to the Village Board on the installation of traffic calming measures.

Vehicle Stickers

Motor vehicles stickers are required for all motor vehicles within the Village limits. Sale of vehicle stickers go on sale March 1st of each year. All vehicles must have the current year's stickers properly affixed to the windshield by May 1st. Senior citizens (65 or over), disabled veterans and the handicapped receive a substantial discount.

House Watch

If you are leaving town and your home will be vacant you may request a vacation watch. Call 815-485-2500 prior to leaving for vacation and an officer will respond to your home to fill out paperwork in response to your request.

Child Safety Seats

As part of the Village's Community Policing Efforts, the New Lenox Police Department has officers trained and certified in conducting child passenger safety seat checks. Officers certified as Child Safety Seat Technicians can inspect Village residents' child safety seats on an individual basis. Call 815-462-6100 for an appointment.