

# Office of the Sheriff

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Illegal dumping of garbage and other materials is an issue of concern in Vance and surrounding counties. Listed below are several actions that can be taken to reduce the likelihood of illegal dumping in communities and on private property.

- Register the property with the Sheriff's Office. Signs posted along property boundaries can often deter unwanted and illegal activity.
- Monitor any unusual activity on or near the property. Note any vehicles or individuals which may appear to be out of place. Note any trucks, trailers, or other equipment loaded with garbage, construction materials, stumps, or tree branches and limbs.
- Securing property. By installing gates, cables, and fencing, access into areas for the purposes of illegal dumping is substantially reduced. Regular checks of these deterrents help to improve security.
- Retain any correspondence found at a dumping location. Mail, power bills, phone bills, and medical information often left at dumping sites are extremely helpful in locating the responsible parties.

Contact the Sheriff's Office immediately if any evidence of illegal dumping is evident. The Sheriff's Office can be reached at (252) 738-2200.