

AVOID IDENTITY THEFT DURING THE 2010 CENSUS

The City of Oconomowoc wants you to be aware of scam artists using the 2010 Census as a means to steal your personal information.

THE CENSUS will be mailed to 134 million households on March 1. The form has 10 questions about your age, date of birth, race and whether you rent or own a home. **It does not ask for your Social Security Number or information about your taxes and income.** If you do not return a completed Census Form by April 1st, it is likely that a Census Enumerator will either call you or come to your door to obtain the information.

BE CAUTIOUS AND USE THE FOLLOWING SAFETY TIPS:

1. The Census does not ask for your Social Security Number – do not give that information out to anyone claiming to be with the Census Bureau.
2. Never invite a Census Enumerator into your home.
3. All Census Enumerator's carry official government badges marked with just their name, a Department of Commerce watermark and an expiration date.
4. The Census Worker is supposed to provide you with a letter from the Census Director on official letterhead.
5. The Census Bureau will not contact you via email.
6. Do not click on any websites that pop up disguised as a Census Survey. The Census Bureau does not solicit information over the internet.
7. The Census does not ask for credit card or bank account information.

Visit the U.S. Census website at: <http://2010.census.gov/2010census> or call the U.S. Census Telephone Questionnaire Assistance Center at 1-866-872-6868 for additional information.