

7. Theft Offense List

It is recommended that the following property crimes be treated similarly. Below is the Theft Offense List cited for the Theft Crimes (\$5,000 or less and over \$5,000) in section 5.A Offense Severity Reference Table. The severity level for these offenses is based on the monetary amount of the conviction offense. The monetary amount is contained in the penalty statute as cited below:

Severity Level 2. When the monetary value of the Theft Crime is \$5,000 or less, the penalty statute is Minnesota Statutes, section 609.52, subdivision 3(3)(a).

Severity Level 3. When the monetary value of the Theft Crime is over \$5,000, the penalty statute is Minnesota Statutes, section 609.52, subdivision 3(2).

Statute Number	Offense Title
176.178	Workers' Compensation Fraud
256.98	Wrongfully Obtaining Assistance
268.182	Unemployment Benefit Fraud
268B.185*	Family and Medical Benefit Fraud
393.07, subd. 10	Federal Food Stamp Program
471.392	False Declaration of Claim
514.02, subd. 1(b)	Non-payment for Improvement (Proceeds of Payments; Acts Constituting Theft)
609.445	Failure to Pay Over State Funds
609.455	Permitting False Claims Against Government
609.465	Presenting False Claims to Public Officer or Body
609.52	Theft of Public Funds
609.52, subd. 2(a)(1)	Theft
609.52, subd. 2(a)(2)	Taking Pledged Property
609.52, subd. 2(a)(3)(i)	Theft By Check
609.52, subd. 2(a)(3)(ii), (iii), (iv), & (v)	Theft By False Representation
609.52, subd. 2(a)(4)	Theft By Trick
609.52, subd. 2(a)(5)	Temporary Theft
609.52, subd. 2(a)(6)	Refusing to Return Lost Property
609.52, subd. 2(a)(7)	Theft from Coin Operated Machines
609.52, subd. 2(a)(9)	Theft of Leased Property
609.52, subd. 2(a)(10) & (11)	Altering Serial Number
609.52, subd. 2(a)(12)	Theft of Cable TV Services

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609.52, subd. 2(a)(13)	Theft of Services
609.52, subd. 2(a)(14)	Theft of Telecommunications Services
609.52, subd. 2(a)(15) & (16)	Diversion of Corporate Property
609.52, subd. 2(a)(19)	Wage Theft
609.53	Receiving Stolen Property
609.611	Defrauding Insurer
609.615	Defeating Security on Realty
609.62	Defeating Security on Personalty
609.816	Wrongful Employment at a Child Care Center
609.82	Fraud in Obtaining Credit

* Effective January 1, 2026.