

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

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609.52, subd. 2(a)(3)(ii), Theft By False Representation
(iii), (iv), & (v)

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) Altering Serial Number
& (11)

609.52, subd. 2(a)(12) Theft of Cable TV Services

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) Diversion of Corporate Property
& (16)

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.