



# COUNTRYSIDE POLICE

## CRIME ALERT

Date: **January 31, 2017**

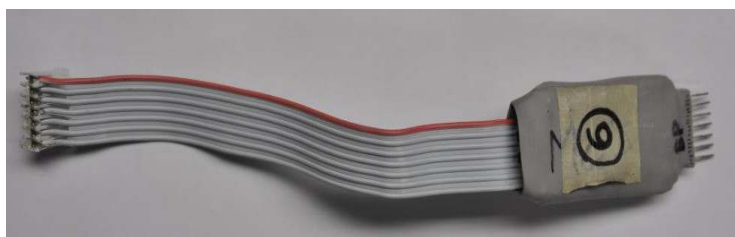
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On January 30, 2017, the Countryside Police Department took a theft related call at the Shell Gas Station, 6701 Joliet Road. The owner/manager located a credit card skimming device inside one of the gas pumps (see photos below). It is unknown how long the device has been in place but skimming devices are known to hold a large amount of credit card numbers.

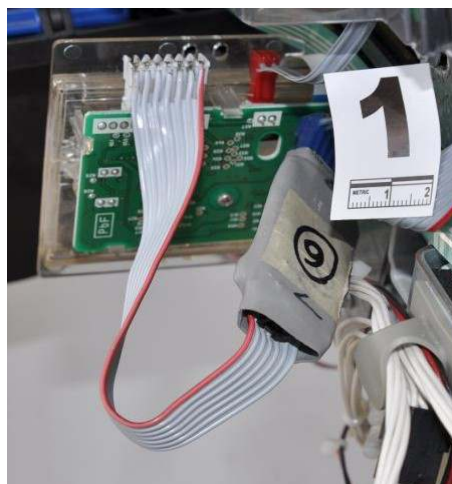
The Countryside Police Department is recommending that all gas stations check each gas pump's internal credit card reader for these types of skimming devices as soon as possible. If skimming devices are located please contact the Countryside Police Department for reporting and recovery of the device.

We also recommend placing some type of security tape or seal on your pump's credit card reader doors. This not only makes unauthorized entry into credit card readers easy to find but also deters the installation of such devices.



**Skimming Device** ↑

**Skimming Device Attached to Credit Card Reader** →



This information is being provided to make you aware of suspicious or criminal activity in the Countryside area. Please review this alert and take appropriate action.

Any questions can be directed to Deputy Chief Scott Novak at (708)352-2171.