

Vehicle security

Most car thefts are opportunistic and there are a number of things you can do to reduce the risk of having your car stolen or broken into.



If a crime is happening now, call **Triple Zero (000)**.

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What you can do

- Park your vehicle in well-lit and highly visible areas whenever possible.
- Wherever possible, use off street parking or secured parking.
- When parking in a garage, ensure both the garage and vehicle are locked and the garage door remotes are secured.
- Avoid marking your keys with your personal or vehicle details such as name, phone number or vehicle registration.
- Consider installing a car alarm or steering wheel lock to help protect your vehicle.
- Use lockable devices to help keep your vehicle secure including lockable fuel caps, wheel nuts, spare tyre covers and roof racks.
- Consider installing a remote engine immobiliser which meets Australian standards.
- Secure your registration plates with anti-theft screws.
- Consider installing a GPS tracker to your vehicle.

Make good vehicle and key security a habit today.

- Always lock your vehicle, including the boot and sunroof, and remember to fully close all windows.
- Always keep your keys out of sight and never leave vehicle keys lying around on tables, benches, bedside tables or key hooks.
- Remove keys from the ignition and lock your vehicle if your vehicle is parked or unattended, even if it's only for a minute.
- Never hide spare keys on or in the vehicle – thieves know where to look.
- Remove all valuables and personal items when leaving your car unattended, or ensure they are out of sight.
- Always take your vehicle keys with you whenever you are going out, even if you are leaving your vehicle at home.



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