

## PREVENT CAR THEFT

Using your car to get out and about is great...  
... but not so much if a thief steals your car.

Here are some things to think about that might help prevent your car from being stolen when you're out and about.

### Lock it

Never leave your car unlocked or running.  
Even keyless cars can be driven off.

### Secure keys/remotes

Don't leave keys/remotes in the car, even for a minute!

### Park safely

Park in a secure car park or a busy, well-lit area.

### Secure

Consider aftermarket security options; they can help deter car thieves who might use electronic devices, capable of programming or mimicking keys.



## Lock it

- Lock vehicle doors.  
All the time. Every time.
- Don't leave your car running and unlocked - ever!  
A keyless car that is running can be driven off without the remote.
- A parked car with open windows (even 'just a little bit' open), is tempting to thieves.  
Close windows and sunroofs; even on hot days.

## Secure keys/remotes

- Never leave your keys or keyless remote in the car.
- Attach a tracking device to keys or mark with your phone number in case they're lost. Don't use your name, address or a vehicle registration number as thieves can use these to target your home or vehicle.

## Park safely

- Try to park in a secure car park. If the car park provides a payment ticket on entry, don't leave it in the car.
- If you are parking on the street, look for busy, well-lit areas.  
A thief might move on if there is a higher chance they will be seen.

## Secure

- If you're looking for more security, consider a high-quality steering wheel lock or installing an after-market engine immobiliser.
- Ideally the engine immobiliser should
  - be disarmed only via input into a PIN pad or a button sequence – not by the use of a fob, key, or other physical device.
  - immobilise the vehicle by interrupting at least one circuit of the electric systems (such as the fuel pump or start motor) and
  - consist of black wiring only.
- Consider placing a GPS tracking device in your vehicle to allow you to track it and advise police of its location in the event it does get stolen.

