

HOME SECURITY

Your home is important.

Here are four simple ways to help keep it secure.

Doors and windows

Keep external doors, including the garage, locked.

Shut windows or install security screens.

Outdoors

Consider a fence for your property and lock all your sheds.

Security cameras

Think about installing a doorbell camera or other type of security camera.

Car keys

If thieves can get the keys, they can get the car.

Keep keys out of sight. Consider aftermarket security options for your vehicle.

Also see our related Vehicle Security fact sheets

Keeping Your Car Safe at Home

Prevent Car Theft



Doors and windows

- Lock external doors. This includes the door between your garage and house, which becomes an external door when your garage is open.
- Open doors and windows are a sign to thieves they can enter your home without forcing entry.
- Keep your garage door shut – and locked if possible.
- If you like opening doors and windows for ventilation, fit bars or security screens that comply with current Australian standards.
- Fit good quality, keyed locks on doors and windows.

Outdoors

- Any fence, even a low fence or hedge around your property, acts as a physical barrier to intruders.
- Keep all sheds, garages, other outbuildings and any gates locked. If using a padlock, invest in a good quality, cut resistant lock. Consider installing bars or security screens on shed or garage windows.

Security cameras

- Consider installing a doorbell camera or security camera. These are widely available and reasonably priced.
- Battery powered cameras are quick and easy to install, with no drilling or wiring requirements.
- Wi-Fi wireless cameras can record events and provide real-time motion detection alerts to your mobile phone so you can see and talk to visitors.

Car keys

- Most newer vehicles can't be started without the keyless remote, so offenders need these to steal your car.
- Keep vehicle keys or remotes out of sight. Obvious places thieves look are hallway tables, kitchen counters and key hooks, bedside tables and drawers.
- Instead of putting keys on the kitchen counter or hall table, consider keeping them out of sight in a kitchen or hallway drawer or cupboard.
- If you're looking for aftermarket security options for your vehicle, consider a high-quality steering wheel lock or installing an aftermarket engine immobiliser.
- See our vehicle security advice fact sheets for more information.

