



SOUTH AUSTRALIA POLICE
KEEPING SA SAFE

PREVENTING
CRIME

LAPTOP & TABLET THEFT

Laptop computers and tablets are a popular target for thieves. These devices are valuable and information stored such as your personal details and banking information may also be compromised by a theft.

To prevent becoming a victim of theft, please consider the following crime prevention security tips.

- Record the manufacturer, model, and serial number and file this information in a safe place.
- Consider using an alternative bag to transport your laptop/tablet.
- Attach a security cable to the universal security slot (USS) and secure to a fixed object where possible.
- Engrave your driver's licence number prefixed by the letter 'S' for South Australia. For example, with a driver's licence number of 123456, S123456.
- Remove and safely store dongles and external hard drives.
- When at home, store the laptop/tablet away in a secure location.
- Never leave your laptop/tablet visible in your vehicle.
- Always take the laptop/tablet as hand luggage when travelling and when placing it through airport security, maintain constant observation.
- Set a login password, using a secure password, sufficiently cryptic and not easy to guess.

Laptops and tablets

Many electronic devices now have the capability of being tracked should they be lost or stolen. For example, using the "Find my iPhone" app you can track an iPad.

If you have any questions please contact your local police station or visit www.police.sa.gov.au

South Australia Police (SAPOL) is committed to working in partnership with the community to prevent crime and reduce the fear of crime to ensure that South Australia is a safe place to live, visit and do business.

PERSONAL SAFETY

