



**SOUTH AUSTRALIA POLICE**  
KEEPING SA SAFE

PREVENTING  
CRIME

## MAIL THEFT

Your mail includes items about your identity such as driver's licence, utility accounts, credit card transactions and bank statements.

People can steal these to assume your identity and then defraud others using your name. This can have devastating consequences for you and your reputation.

**To prevent becoming a victim to mail theft, please consider the following crime prevention security tips:**

- Consider purchasing a locked mailbox or convert your current mailbox to a lockable style.
- Clear the mail daily.
- Have mail held at the Post Office or collected by a friend when away for extended periods.
- Dispose of unwanted mail in a way that no one else makes use of it i.e. shredding.
- Ensure your mailbox is in good condition.
- Make sure your mailbox is large enough for the mail to be dropped into a secure section and do not allow letters to be overflowing.
- If mail is delivered incorrectly, write "delivered to wrong address" on the front of the envelope or if the addressee does not live at your address write "not at this address" and return to Australia Post.

If anyone is aware of mail being stolen and used to obtain fraudulent identity, please contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or at [www.crimestopperssa.com.au](http://www.crimestopperssa.com.au)

For further home security crime prevention information please visit [www.police.sa.gov.au](http://www.police.sa.gov.au) or contact your local police station.

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.

## HOME SECURITY

