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Property Marking and Recording

Property Marking

Police encourage owners to mark their valuable property and record details of the items. Identifiable property is more difficult for thieves to dispose of, and if recovered, easier for police to establish the owner's details.

Two effective ways of marking property are by using an ultra violet (UV) pen or engraving:

- Mark your valuables with your driver's licence or proof of age card number preceded by the letter 'S' for South Australia.
- Mark similar items in the same location i.e. lap tops beside the power socket.
- Items like bicycles, power tools and plant equipment are potentially better marked by engraving in the same manner.

Recording

- Make written or electronic records of your property, including serial numbers, engravings and inscriptions.
- Jewellery, special collections including stamps or coins, paintings and antiques should also be photographed.
- Include a ruler or match box in the photograph to help determine dimensions.
- Take close up pictures of unique features like inscriptions or serial numbers.
- Safely store all records and photographs with all other valuable documents.

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www.police.sa.gov.au/safety-and-security-tips

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