



Motorcycle Security

Keep your bike safe Locked in a secure place



Motorcyclists do not need reminding how vulnerable their machines are to thieves.

At least when parked at home you can take lots of sensible precautions - locking in a shed or garage, chaining to anchor points, ensuring the locks to the shed/garage door are of a high standard, as well as bars/alarms/CCTV covering the windows and other areas. Remember your own tools can be used to defeat your own bike security - so lock these away too.

One of the biggest risks is away from home - so take note of the hints overleaf to reduce the risk of losing your pride and joy to crooks.



Motorcycle Security - Key Facts:

- A disc lock alarm can help secure the front brake disc. The alarm will generate unwanted attention
- Consider the use of a grip lock, it can secure the brake and throttle controls
- Secure the rear wheel of the bike with a chain and padlock. Attach the chain to a ground anchor or another fixed object where possible
- Wrap any excess chain and the lock around the rear wheel to prevent the lock being broken with a hammer or angle grinder if lying on the ground
- Where no ground anchors or rails are available, consider the lock-to-lock method as promoted by the MAG Foundation to 'daisy chain' your chain with that of another rider (never chain your bike directly to a stranger's bike)
- Consider the use of a bike cover
- Park your bike in an area that is overlooked and with good lighting

Further security:

- Tracking device - this assists in recovering your bike if stolen
- Property marking - this can come in the form of forensic marking or etching
- Consider the use of a Smart Tag or Apple Tag as a secondary measure

Purchasing security equipment:

- When purchasing security equipment to protect your bike, try to purchase devices that are Secured by Design (SBD), Sold Secure or Thatcham approved
- Be wary of purchasing security equipment from private sellers online, some list these products in order to get the address of bike owners

For further crime prevention advice contact your local Crime Prevention Officers on 101 and ask for your District Team or visit:

www.westyorkshire.police.uk/motorcycle