

# HELP US PUT THE **BRAKES** ON BIKE CRIME!



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# TOP TIPS TO PREVENT YOUR BIKE BEING STOLEN



- 1 Always lock your cycle even if it is being left for just a few minutes or kept in a garden shed/garage.
- 2 Invest in a cycle lock which has been tested against attack. Check out [www.soldsecure.com](http://www.soldsecure.com) for certified locks or ask your local bike shop for advice.
- 3 We recommend you spend at least 10% of the value of the cycle on a lock.
- 4 When out and about if you need to leave your cycle, lock it to a secure cycle rack.
- 5 Lock both the frame and wheels to the cycle rack.
- 6 Keep the gap between the cycle and the lock as small as possible.
- 7 Keep the lock away from the ground as it can be easily damaged when resting on the ground.
- 8 Face the locking mechanism towards the ground so it can't easily be picked.
- 9 Take any smaller accessories/parts that can easily be removed such as lights, quick release saddles and cycle computers with you.
- 10 Register the cycle details on the free national property register [www.immobilise.com](http://www.immobilise.com). If your bike is lost or stolen and then recovered by the Police it can be checked against this register and returned to you.

It's also useful to have good quality photographs of your bike and close ups of unique features and parts. Please report any information on bike crime by calling **101** and if a bike crime is in progress call us on **999**.

## RECORD YOUR CYCLE DETAILS HERE AND KEEP THIS LEAFLET IN A SAFE PLACE

Make :

Model :

Frame Number :

This leaflet is also available in Welsh



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