

At Home

More than half of all bike thefts take place from an owner's property. So as well as taking care of your bike when you are out and about, you should think about how safe it is at home.

- Keep your bike in a secure shed or garage and get into the habit of keeping the door locked. If you keep your bike in a shed, make sure you get a robust lock for the door.
- Secure it to an immovable object, or consider installing a floor or wall-mounted anchor lock for extra security.
- If you are going to keep your bike in a communal area, is there anything you can lock it to or in?
- Keep it out of public view.
- For extra protection, keep your bike secure wherever you leave it at home.
- Please take a photo of your bike and keep it in a safe place.
- Don't advertise your bike to potential thieves by posting route information on mapping websites or photos on social networking sites. Make sure that your privacy and security settings are set.

Out and about

- Avoid leaving your bike in dimly lit or isolated places.
- Always secure your bike, even if you are just leaving it for a couple of minutes. Think about using two different types of lock.
- Secure your bike to an immovable object - where possible use a proper bike rack and if not available, suitable street furniture. Bikes locked to lampposts, railings or anything else not designed for this purpose are more vulnerable to theft, so only use these if you really have to.
- Lock both wheels and the frame of your bike to the bike stand or other immovable object.
- Invest in good quality locks. Hardened steel D-shaped locks and sturdy chain locks are recommended.
- Many top-end bicycles can cost around £800 and there are locks available relative to the value of your bike. Consult your local bike shop for more information and advice about types of lock you can purchase and other security measures you can take.

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Pedal Cycle Passport



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Please fully complete this passport. If you are unfortunate enough to have your bike stolen, simply hand this to the Police and they will have all the details required, increasing the chances of recovering your bike.

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Details of my pedal cycle

Make:

Model:

Date purchased

(please keep receipt if possible).

Colour(s):

Wheel size:

Serial number:

Personalised items fitted

(different saddle, waterbottle, mudguards, lights etc.):

Anything else distinctive?

(marks or scratches that would confirm this as your bike):

Type of lock:

Immobilise Property Reference and Password:

Photo of my pedal cycle

Attach photo here

Owner details

Name:

Address:

Signature:

If you sell your pedal cycle, please remember to hand this to the new owner so they have all the details in case they are a victim of crime.

I confirm I have sold my pedal cycle to:

Name of new owner:

Signed (original owner)