LOCK SNAPPING BURGLARIES

TOP TIPS ON STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO PROTECT YOUR HOME

1 Look to upgrade euro cylinder locks on your external doors to an anti snap cylinder with a 3 star rating under TS 007 and/or the Sold Secure Diamond Standard.



Consider improving your door handles and by replacing them with a 2 star rating under TS 007. These locks can also protect against blow torch burglaries.



4 Use a reputable lock replacement company, preferably with Master Locksmiths Association accreditation. Visit www.locksmiths.co.uk for more information.





6 Consider fitting additional locks to patio and French doors to increase security.





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PROTECTING YOUR CAR

TOP TIPS ON STEPS YOU CAN TAKE TO PROTECT YOUR CAR

- 1 Always lock your vehicle, and never leave the engine running while unattended.
- 2 Keep car keys hidden and secured in a safe place, away from doors and windows. Consider purchasing a metal lock box or safe to store your keys in.
- 3 Keyless car theft, or 'relay theft', is when a device is used to fool the car into thinking the key is close by; this unlocks the car and starts the ignition. Protect your keyless car from being stolen by using a screened or signal-blocking pouch, such as a Faraday Pouch. The metal protective layer prevents the key signal from being intercepted.
- 3 Consider using a Sold Secure steering lock to deter thieves. A gear lever or clutch pedal security device can also give your car added protection.
- 4 If you can, keep your car in a garage. This prevents easy access, and also keeps it out of sight from any potential thieves.
- 6 If parking on the street, avoid parking in dark and secluded areas, and opt for a busy and well-lit street instead. Look for illuminated and staffed car parks, or those with a Park Mark safer parking award.





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