

'Motor vehicle security: Look, lock and leave'

ACT Policing recommends the following safety tips to help secure a vehicle:

- Always lock doors and close windows when your vehicle is unattended
- Park your car in the street and use an area that is well lit at night
- If you must leave valuables in your car, make sure they are locked away out of sight
- Spare keys should never be hidden in or on the car
- If you have a garage, use it rather than leaving your car in the driveway or on the street
- Remove cheque books, credit cards, driver's licence and registration papers from the glove box
- Record serial numbers of valuables and details of your car such as make, model and engine number
- Engrave or mark your property with your driver's licence number preceded by 'A' for ACT. Also mark your licence number on several places in the car
- When your car is being repaired, leave only the ignition key
- Avoid placing your name, address and registration number on keys
- Take your car keys with you or hide them when you leave your car at home unattended.

Further information about motor vehicle security is available on the ACT Policing web site at http://www.afp.gov.au/act/crime_prevention.html.

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