



Neighbourhood Watch
Creating Safer Communities



VICTORIA POLICE

REMOVE IT, LOCK IT OR LOSE IT

Thefts from cars have occurred in this area.
This notice may stop you becoming the next victim.

BY SIMPLY REMOVING VALUABLE ITEMS FROM DISPLAY AND LOCKING YOUR VEHICLE, YOU SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE THE LIKELIHOOD OF BEING A VICTIM OF CRIME.

Most thieves break into cars because they see something they want inside. Thieves will break windows and damage locks in a matter of seconds in order to steal your valuables or even just for the spare change in the console.

By following a few simple tips you can prevent the theft of your valuables.

- Close all windows and lock all doors before leaving your car unattended.
- Never leave valuable items on view in your vehicle. Remove GPS and cradle, mobile phones, iPods, laptops, CD's, money, sunglasses, bags and sporting equipment.
- Do not place items in your boot, console or under your front seat; you never know who is watching. If it's valuable, take it with you.
- Remove the suction mark left by your GPS cradle on the windscreen. Thieves will often break into a vehicle looking for a GPS unit hidden in the vehicle.
- Do not leave loose change within view; thieves will do hundreds of dollars worth of damage to steal small amounts of money.
- Power cables from cigarette lighter sockets are signs of a valuable item probably hidden in the vehicle. Remove these from view.

FOR IMMEDIATE POLICE ASSISTANCE CALL 000

**TO REPORT INFORMATION ABOUT A CRIME,
CONTACT CRIME STOPPERS ON 1800 333 000**

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