NSW POLICE FORCE CRIME PREVENTION SERIES

## Protect your livestock and grain

Drought, extreme weather conditions and varying market prices are some of the trials when working with livestock and produce. While we can't control the weather, we can take precautions to protect our valuable produce from theft.

The loss of your livestock and produce can incur significant and long term financial hardship to your business. However by making some simple changes to your work practices and security, you can minimise the chances of your livestock and produce being targeted.

Here are some simple steps **we** all can take to better protect ourselves from this type of crime:

## **Protect your livestock**

- ALWAYS maintain accurate and up to date records including identification numbers, purchases, sales, births and deaths of your livestock
- ALWAYS maintain photographs or videos of valuable stock, including branding and tags, to assist with identifying your stock
- NEVER leave tagging or branding of new livestock to sale time
- ALWAYS ensure the National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) is current and accurate. <u>Livestock security pamphlet</u>

## **Protect your stockyards**

- **ALWAYS** check the condition of your boundary fences and gates on a regular basis
- NEVER leave loading ramps unsecured near your stockyard
- **ALWAYS** install quality locking devices on your gates, sheds and equipment.

## **Protect your grain and seed**

- NEVER Always install quality locking devices on your gates, sheds, equipment and power boards <u>Rural Crime Prevention Brochure</u>
- **NEVER** leave storage bins or laden trucks unlocked or unattended during harvest
- ALWAYS try to situate your storage in view of your farm house and away from any external roads
- **NEVER** leave augers or other loading equipment in an operational state when not in use.

For a full Farm Security Assessment: <u>NSWPF Farm Security Assessment</u>

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