

BOAT & TRAILER SECURITY CHECKLIST



PREVENT THIEVES TARGETING YOUR BOAT

If you are a boat owner, it's important that you take the security of your boat as seriously as you would the security of your home. Boats are more at risk than homes since a thief can just tow your boat away.

There are several things that can be done to reduce the risk of vessel theft.

Security devices installed on boats should be resistant to water, salt and humidity.

Locks

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Marine dealers carry special exterior hatch locks. When fastened with a quality padlock, one of these improves security.

Windows

- To enhance window security, locksmiths carry a variety of special, small locks and fasteners, which can be used to increase the security of other types of windows.
- For sliding windows, place a length of doweling in the track to prevent the window from being forced open.
- If your boat is kept in the water, use a marine with full time security and/or good lighting.
- If you are leaving your boat for long periods of time, ensure that someone else is able to check your boat on a regular basis.
 - Boat and trailer are the most frequent targets of marine theft. Stealing a boat is much easier if a thieve can hitch up to your boat and trailer and drive away.
 - Store trailer in a locked garage, secured boat storage facility or mini-storage stall.
 - If the trailer is stored at home, put it in the back or side yard out of sight.
 - Store it with the trailer tongue not easily accessible.
 - If storing in an open driveway or car port, park another vehicle or other large object in front of the trailer.
 - Consider removing one trailer wheel.
 - Secure the trailer to an anchored object with a good quality chain and lock.
 - Purchase a good quality trailer hitch lock and use it even if stored inside.

Crime Prevention is everyone's responsibility www.police.nsw.gov.au

POLICE, FIRE, AMBULANCE Triple Zero (000) In an emergency

CRIME STOPPERS 1800 333 000

Report any crime anonymously Rewards can be offered

POLICE ASSISTANCE LINE

131 444 For non emergencies

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