



Protect your property from trespass

Rural crime

The boundaries of your property are the first line of defence against unwanted trespassers. These uninvited visitors have the potential to cause loss or damage to your land, equipment and livestock which can be inconvenient and costly.

Police do not recommend approaching anyone on your land that you don't know. Take note of registration numbers, descriptions and any other information and immediately contact your local police.

While you can't be everywhere at all times, you can better protect your property and equipment from damage and theft by taking some simple precautions.

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

Protect your properties boundaries

- **ALWAYS** maintain the integrity of your fences and gates
- **ALWAYS** invest in security measures around sheds, fuel and your farm house such as security lighting, alarms, dogs or video surveillance
- **ALWAYS** post "No Trespassing" and "Private Property" signs at entry points and near roads surrounding your land. [Livestock security pamphlet](#)

Protect your property from illegal and irresponsible shooters

- **ALWAYS** use shooters from reputable Shooters Associations or ask each shooter to produce a reference from a farmer in your district and record their identification
- **NEVER** directly confront trespassers or suspected illegal shooters
- **ALWAYS** record details such as time and date, vehicle registration number, description, exact location and contact Police. Consider using a digital camera to record details of trespassers and illegal hunters.

Protect your property and your local community

- **NEVER** advertise on social media your travel plans or periods of absence
- **JOIN** and encourage others to participate in a local Neighbourhood Watch group to protect each other's property [NHW](#)
- **ALWAYS** report suspicious behaviour to your local police
- **FOLLOW** and encourage others to like the NSW Police Force Rural Crime Eyewatch page on Facebook. [Rural Crime Eyewatch](#)

**For a full Farm Security Assessment:
[NSWPF Farm Security Assessment](#)**

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Triple Zero (000)
For emergencies or life threatening situations.



Police Assistance Line (131 444)
For non emergencies.



Crime Stoppers (1800 333 000)
To provide crime information. It can be anonymous.