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FARM

SECURITY ASSESSMENT



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WELCOME TO THE NSW POLICE FORCE FARM SECURITY ASSESSMENT

Disclaimer

The NSW Police Force Farm Security Assessment is designed to help primary producers assess the security of their properties. It covers potential areas of vulnerability, and makes suggestions for adapting and improving on-farm security to reduce the risk of rural crime.

You can complete the Farm Security Assessment yourself, or you can ask a member of the Rural Crime Prevention Team to undertake the Assessment with you. If you answer 'No' to any of the questions you can review the suggested treatment options later in this booklet.

NSW Police Force has a vital interest in ensuring the safety and security of all members of the rural community and their property. By using recommendations contained within this document, any person who does so acknowledges that:

- It is not possible to make a rural property totally secure.
- Recommendations are based upon information provided to, and observations made by NSW Police, at the time this document was prepared.
- The Assessment is a confidential document and is for use by the person/organisation referred to on page 2 of the Assessment
- The contents of the Assessment are not to be copied or circulated otherwise than for the purposes of the person/organisation for whom the Assessment was undertaken.

After completing the assessment, if any anomalies are detected, report to Police.

NSW Police Force believes the recommendations contained within this document can enhance the safety and security of the rural community. However, NSW Police Force cannot guarantee that all risks will be identified, or that the areas evaluated will be free from criminal activity, even if the recommendations are followed.

NSW Police Force would like to thank you for your interest in improving the security of your property. Should you need any further information on this Farm Security Assessment, we encourage you to contact the Rural Crime Prevention Team, NSW Police Force (www.police.nsw.gov.au).

NSW POLICE FORCE FARM SECURITY ASSESSMENT

COPS Event No. (Police Use Only) _____

Date _____ Time _____

Name _____

Address (Street) _____

Suburb/Town _____ Postcode _____

Telephone No _____ Property Identification Code (PIC): _____

No	Question	Yes	No	N/A	Comment
RMB Number / Property Name					
1	Is the RMB number and property name clearly visible from the road?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
2	Are these visible at night?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Fences and Gates					
3	Are boundary fences and gates in good condition?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
4	Are gates securely fitted and can they be locked?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Warning Signs					
5	Are there warning signs displayed on the boundary fences and gates on the property?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Landscaping					
6	Are trees and bushes around the homestead trimmed to reduce concealment opportunities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Lighting					
7	Is there security lighting (eg: sensor lights) installed around the homestead and sheds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
8	Do you have light timers inside the homestead or sheds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

No	Question	Yes	No	N/A	Comment
Power Board and Letterbox					
9	Is the power board enclosed within a secure cabinet?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
10	Is the cabinet fitted with an approved lockset and kept locked?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
11	Is the letterbox fitted with an approved lockset and kept locked?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Intruder Alarm System / Surveillance Camera					
12	Is an alarm system and/or surveillance camera installed and operating?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
13	Is the alarm system and/or surveillance camera monitored by a security company and/or back to a smartphone or computer?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
14	Does the alarm system and/or surveillance camera cover the sheds, garages and other storage facilities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Doors					
15	Are the external doors and door frames on the homestead and sheds of solid construction?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
16	Are these doors fitted with quality locksets to restrict access?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
17	Are external door hinges mounted so they cannot be removed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
18	Can visitors be seen before access is allowed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
19	Are keys removed from locks at all times?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
20	Are security/screen doors installed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
21	Are sliding doors fitted with suitable locksets?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
22	Can you restrict people from getting under the homestead?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Windows					
23	Are external windows to the homestead and sheds solidly constructed?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
24	Can windows be secured?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
25	Are unused windows permanently closed and secured?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

No	Question	Yes	No	N/A	Comment
Valuables Control (Keys, Computers and Safes)					
26	Do you have a computer? Is it password protected?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
27	Are all keys securely stored out of view when not in use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
28	Is your jewellery, cash and other valuables securely stored?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
29	Do you have a safe?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
30	Is the safe securely anchored to prevent easy removal?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Safe Keeping of Firearms					
31	Are you licensed to own a firearm?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
32	Does your firearm storage comply with the minimum requirements set for each licence category?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
33	Have you locked away all tools that could be used to open the firearm storage?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Telephones					
34	Are telephones pre-programmed with emergency contact numbers?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Property Identification					
35	Do you record details of personal, household and farm items?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
36	Is your property permanently marked or engraved for easy identification?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
37	Is your property photographed for easy identification?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
38	Are your property lists and photographs stored securely?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
39	Are your personal, household and farm items adequately insured?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Sheds, Garages and other Storage Facilities					
40	Are your sheds, garages and other storage facilities locked when you are absent?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
41	Are shed windows and doors fitted with quality locks?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
42	Are the sheds, garages and storage facilities within sight of the homestead?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

No	Question	Yes	No	N/A	Comment
Farm Machinery, Tools and Equipment					
43	Are farm machinery, equipment and tools stored securely when not in use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
44	Have you marked or engraved equipment for easy identification?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
45	Do you remove keys from farm equipment when unattended?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
46	Do you maintain an inventory of all farm machinery and tools?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Shearing Sheds					
47	Do you maintain an inventory of all shearing equipment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
48	Do you lock away shearing equipment when not in use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
49	Do you maintain an inventory of all stored wool bales?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
50	Can the shearing shed be securely locked when not in use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Grain, Hay and Seed					
51	Do you store grain, hay and seed in secure bins or sheds?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
52	Can these bins or sheds be locked when not in use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
53	Do you secure loading equipment such as augers?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
54	Do you secure loaded trucks when unattended?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Chemicals and Fertilisers					
55	Are chemicals, fertilisers and other dangerous goods stored within locked storage areas?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
56	Do you record descriptions, type, batch numbers, expiry dates of chemicals and fertilisers?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Fuel					
57	Are fuel tanks secured in place and locked to restrict unauthorised use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
58	Are fuel tanks located within sight of the homestead?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
59	Are fuel tanks located out of line of sight from public accessways?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
60	Do you dip fuel tanks regularly to check levels?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

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Water Tanks					
61	Are water tanks and pumps secured to restrict tampering and theft?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Stockyards and Loading Ramps					
62	Do you lock stockyard gates and loading ramps?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
63	Are stockyards positioned where they can be seen from the homestead?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Livestock and Dogs					
64	Do you earmark, ear-tag, brand and electronically (NLIS) identify your stock?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
65	Is your earmark, ear-tag, brand registered with your Local Land Services?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
66	Do you maintain records of your livestock including sales, purchases, deaths and rations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
67	Do you keep receipts and other paperwork regarding livestock sales and purchases?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
68	Do you check livestock on a regular basis?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
69	Do you have a dog?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
70	Is your dog microchipped?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
71	Do you use current technology to for stock control (e.g. GPS tags, etc)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

SUGGESTED TREATMENTS

RMB Number/Property Name

- The RMB number and property name should be prominently displayed at the front of the property.
- Consider painting the RMB number or Global Positioning System (GPS) reading on boundary fence posts to assist emergency services and others to locate the property in emergency situations.

Fences and Gates

- Fences define the property boundaries and restrict access to the property. Regularly check the condition of boundary fences and gates. Pay attention to slack wiring and investigate the cause. Repair damaged fences as soon as possible. Contact the police if the fences appear to have been deliberately cut or tampered with.
- Mount gates at entrances to the property and other high-risk areas securely to strong posts, and lock with heavy-duty chains and padlocks when not in use.
- Gates should be engraved or permanently marked with a piece of information that is unique to you. Fencing materials should be securely locked away when not in use.

Warning Signs

- Warning signs should be displayed on perimeter fence lines and gates to clearly indicate the boundaries of your property to illegal hunters/shooters, intruders and others. Signs such as "Private Property, No Trespassing", "Please Shut the Gate, No Trespassing" and "No Hunting Without Permission" may assist in the prosecution of trespassers if detected.
- Consider displaying warning signs on internal gates and other structures such as sheds within your property, for example "Beware of the Dog" and "Monitored by Security Alarms / Cameras". Be careful using warning signs that suggest a security response that does not exist as thieves often look for cues to confirm if these really do exist.

Landscaping

- Trees and shrubs around the homestead and sheds should be trimmed to reduce hiding places and to increase visibility to and from the main residence.
- Overhanging branches should be trimmed to prevent people using them to access other parts of the homestead, e.g. using a tree to get on the roof or an upper level of the homestead.

Lighting

- Security lighting should be installed around the homestead and sheds.
- Consider installing sensor style lights, which activate automatically when movement is detected within range.
- Consider using light timers to automatically turn lights on/off when not at home.

Power Board and Letterbox

- The power board should be housed within a secure, solidly made cabinet to restrict tampering with the power supply.

- The cabinet should be secured with a lockset approved by your electricity authority.
- The mailbox should be of solid construction and secured with an approved lock to restrict unauthorised access and theft.

Intruder Alarm System / Surveillance Camera

- An alarm system and/or surveillance camera/s may enhance the security of the homestead. Research has shown that monitored alarm systems are more effective as they alert you or your security company of intruders.
- The alarm system and/or surveillance camera should be manufactured and installed to an Australian Standard.
- The system should be designed to provide maximum coverage of the home, garage and storage facilities.
- Remember to regularly check the battery and test the system / camera.
- Increase use of trail cameras on main internal access roads or areas adjoining National Parks and State Forests, particularly if previous issues with trespass /illegal hunting /damage of fences and gates for access.

Doors

- External doors and frames should be of solid construction.
- These doors should be fitted with quality locksets, which comply with the Building Code of Australia (Fire Regulations) and Australian Standards.
- Consider having a peephole (door viewer) installed in the front door of your home to monitor people at the door.
- Keys should be removed from locks to prevent intruders entering or leaving the home.
- Consider installing metal security/screen doors. These should be designed and installed to Australian Standards.
- Consider installing patio bolts on sliding doors.
- Access points under the homestead should be secured.

Windows

- External windows and frames should be of solid construction.
- Window frames should be anchored to the building to prevent easy removal.
- Windows should be fitted with quality locksets and kept locked when not in use.
- Some styles of windows can be locked in a partially open position. Further advice on these items can be obtained from your insurance company or locksmith.
- Skylights should be kept locked, particularly at night.
- Glass doors and windows should be re-enforced to restrict unauthorised access via these areas.

- The existing glass can be re-enforced internally with a shatter resistant adhesive film or replaced with laminated glass.
- Consider installing metal security grilles or shutters on windows. (Caution: These can trap occupants in an emergency such as a fire if not properly installed.)

Valuables Control (Keys, Computers and Safes)

- Where possible, secure computers to desk surfaces and permanently mark or engrave the hardware with an identification number unique to you. Back up files on discs and protect these from theft, fire, flood or PC failure by storing in a secure location.
- Spare keys should not be hidden outside the home but left with trusted friends or neighbours.
- Keys should not be left in locks or in view, as thieves may use them to gain entry to your homestead, sheds or vehicles.
- Try to limit the amount of cash kept at home as it is often targeted by thieves and is often not covered by insurance.
- Jewellery, cash and other valuables should not be left out in plain sight.
- Consider installing a safe to securely store jewellery, cash and other valuable documents.
- The safe should be well concealed, fixed to the floor or embedded in foundations.
- The safe should not be left open for convenience. The key to the safe should be stored out of sight in a separate room.
- Try to avoid leaving the property unattended at the same times and on the same days each week.
- Cancel deliveries while away.
- Notify Police, trusted friends and neighbours as to where you may be contacted during your absence.

Safe Keeping of Firearms

The firearms legislation sets out your responsibilities as a firearms owner in relation to safe storage.

Different categories of licence require different levels of safe storage.

However, across all licences and permit categories, the legislation provides that any person who possesses a firearm must take all reasonable precautions to ensure that the firearm:

- Is kept safe;
- Is not lost or stolen; and
- Does not come into the possession of a person who is not authorised to possess the firearm.

The firearm owner must comply with the safe keeping requirements of the Firearms Act 1996 in relation to firearms authorised by the permit.

You may only store a firearm in an inhabited dwelling or in a dwelling where the permit holder, or someone on their behalf, can easily observe the premises where the firearm is stored. An inhabited dwelling is a person's principal place of residence, where the permit holder may or may not also live, or where a person lives while the firearm is stored there.

If a person stores their firearms in a place other than an inhabited dwelling, they can do so provided the following safe storage requirements are met or exceeded:

All firearms must be –

- stored in a safe of an approved type, and
- fitted with a trigger or barrel lock that prevents the firearm from being discharged, and
- secured individually on, or in, a locked device within the safe.

The safe must be fitted with an alarm of an approved type that is monitored off-site. The premises on which the firearm is stored must have an intruder alarm and duress facilities that are monitored offsite and are of an approved type.

Other security measures such as security alarms, cameras and security lights may assist in reducing your risk of theft.

Ensure the inhabited dwelling where you store your firearms are:

- Of a solid structure with sturdy lockable doors and windows, with locks which meet Australian Standards, and
- The doors and windows are locked at night and when you (or the person storing the firearms on your behalf) are not at home, and
- Ensure no tools (e.g. angle grinders, crowbars, screwdrivers, shovels, bolt cutters, etc) are lying around the location of your safe storage facility which could be used to gain access to the firearms, or assist in removing the safe storage facilities from the premises.

Always return your firearms to their safe keeping facilities immediately after use. Lock ammunition in a container kept separate to the firearms.

Keep your firearms and firearms parts within the safe keeping facilities and ensure those facilities are locked at all times.

Ensure no unauthorised person knows where the keys to the safe keeping facilities are kept, or the safe combination details.

The keys or the combination details to your safe keeping facilities must not be kept in a place where they could be easily found.

Check your firearms regularly to ensure that they are safely stored within their facilities. Do not allow access to your firearms by unauthorised persons.

Check that the information provided on the registration papers for your firearms is correct (e.g. correct serial number, make, model, actuation etc).

Property Identification

- Personal, household and farm valuables should be engraved or permanently marked with your driver's licence number, Local Land Services Property Identification Code (PIC) number or another piece of information that is unique to you. You should also mark a neat line through the engraving to show that it is no longer valid, when you sell your property.
- Consider marking items that cannot be engraved with an Ultra-Violet pen. (This marking is only visible under ultra- violet light).
- Keep a detailed inventory of all personal, household and farm valuables. This inventory should include complete descriptions of models, makes, serial numbers and replacement values.
- Stud stock, machinery, jewellery, antiques and other collectables should be photographed and/or videoed to assist with identification.
- Receipts should be kept to prove the legitimate purchase or sale of items.
- Computerised inventories should be backed up and a hard copy kept in case the computer is damaged, lost or stolen.
- The inventory, photographs and other documentation should be securely stored in a safe or safety deposit box.
- Personal, household and farm valuables should be appropriately insured.

Sheds, Garages and other Storage Facilities

- Sheds, garages and other storage facilities should be built within sight of the homestead or a trusted neighbour's home.
- Sheds, garages and other storage facilities should be constructed from strong materials with heavy-duty roller doors, shutters or metal gates that can be locked when not in use.
- Use good quality chains and padlocks to secure entrances and consider fitting additional locksets (i.e. hasps, staples) to the doors and windows.
- Security lighting should be installed around sheds, garages and other storage facilities. Consider mounting timed spot or floodlights around the structures.
- Tools, equipment and ladders should be locked away to prevent them from being stolen or used to gain access to the homestead, sheds, garages or other storage facilities.
- Storage areas should be clean and well organised so that any theft is noticed as soon as possible.

Farm Machinery, Tools and Equipment

- Machinery, tools and equipment, including any removable parts, should be engraved or permanently marked in at least two places. Ideally, use an engraver or welder to mark large items with some form of information that identifies you as the owner, and to ensure the marking can be recognised even if offenders attempt to grind it off.
- Machinery, tools and other valuable farm equipment should be stored in the same secured area, preferably a locked shed or fenced enclosure that can padlocked.
- At times it may be necessary to leave machinery out in the paddock. Position the equipment where it can be seen from the homestead and out of sight of public areas.

- Equipment should be secured with heavy chains and case hardened locks (i.e. chain and lock equipment to trees or other strongly anchored objects; chain wheels to axles; chain steering wheel to frame).
- Keys should be removed and cab doors locked.
- Lockable fuel caps should be used to prevent theft or contamination of fuel.
- Consider disabling the equipment by removing the distributor cap, battery or rotor.
- When practical, remove hitches from trailers.
- Tools or other equipment should not be left unsecured in the cab or tray of vehicles.

Shearing Sheds

- Handpieces, combs & cutters, wool packs, stencils, earmark pliers, ear-tags, paint brands and other valuable equipment should be regularly accounted for and securely locked away when not in use.
- Wool bales should be securely stored in a locked storage area and recorded on a ledger.
- Details such as model and serial numbers of all shearing shed equipment including grinders and wool presses should be recorded in an inventory of all farm equipment.
- All external doors, windows and chutes should be designed so they can be locked, and the shed checked regularly.
- Use a reputable shearing contractor and carrier.

Telephones

- Pre-program the speed dial function of your telephone with the emergency number 000.
- Details of emergency telephone numbers such as the local Rural Fire Service, Police Station and Crime Stoppers should be kept close to the phone

Grain, Hay and Seed

- Grain, hay and seed should be stored in locked silos, bins or sheds.
- Augers and other loading equipment should be padlocked when not in use.
- Silos, bins and sheds should be well lit and visible from the homestead.
- Full or partially loaded trucks should not be left standing in paddocks overnight unless the vehicle has been rendered inoperable.
- If possible, weigh loaded trucks before they leave the property, and follow the first load and a number of subsequent deliveries to the silo.

Chemicals, Fertilisers, Explosives and Security Sensitive Dangerous Substances

- Fertilisers, herbicides and pesticides should be stored in their original containers away from heat and exterior walls separate to animal health products, stock feed, fuel and private dwellings.
- Dedicated storage areas should be kept locked to prevent unauthorised access.

- Reduce the quantity of chemicals stored, and comply with the manufacturers' specifications (i.e. storage/usage times).
- Maintain a full inventory of all chemicals kept on-farm including the product name; manufacturers' name; a description of the container/s; formulation type; quantities, expiry dates and values. (Keep invoices and receipts of all purchases).
- Permanently mark chemical containers with your name or other information unique to you.
- Post warning signs on storage facilities identifying the class of dangerous goods.
- Report any loss, theft, attempted theft, sabotage or any other security incident to the police.
- Notify police if someone tries to sell you agricultural chemicals at prices under the normal market value.

Fuel

- Above-ground fuel storage tanks should be positioned in sight of the homestead and other storage sheds. Tanks should be concealed from view from the road, or alternatively, consider installing underground tanks.
- Consider installing security lighting that illuminates the tank/s and surrounding area at night and enclose the site with a security fence/gate that can be locked.
- Fuel tanks should be dipped daily and a flow meter installed to monitor fuel usage.
- The dispensing system including the pump outlets, nozzle, hose and valves should be locked when not in use.
- The control switch to electronically controlled pumps should be located in a secure building and the electricity turned off when not in use. Also consider installing an isolation switch in a hidden spot to immobilise the circuit.
- Mobile fuel tanks should only be filled when they are in use. Shield the hose and secure with a cable lock and case hardened short hasp to reduce siphoning or vandalism opportunities.
- Fuel trailers should be parked away from the roadside when left unattended in a paddock during sowing or harvest. Trailer wheels should be clamped, and the body chained and padlocked to a large tree or other firmly anchored object.
- Maintain accurate and up-to-date records of fuel usage and purchases, including quantities, delivery dates and times.
- Tanks, vehicles and machinery should be fitted with lockable fuel caps to deter access or contamination.
- Use a reputable fuel supplier and be present when deliveries are made.
- Suspected fuel thefts should be reported to police.

Water

- Tanks should be dipped regularly to monitor water usage. Use enclosed tanks to protect water from being contaminated, and lock taps and outlets to restrict unauthorised access to water.
- Irrigation pumps should be bolted to a concrete floor and enclosed in a secure, ventilated

structure such as a locked pump-house or welded steel cage.

- Portable pumps should be chained to a tree or other fixed object.

Stockyards and Loading Ramps

- Stockyard gates and loading ramps should be padlocked to prevent others from using them without permission.
- Stockyards should be built in sight of the homestead and other storage sheds, rather than in remote locations or fronting onto roads or laneways.

Livestock

- All livestock should be marked with approved permanent identifier such as earmarks, brands, tattoos and National Livestock Identification System (NLIS) devices upon receipt as soon after birth as practicable. Contact the relevant breed society and your Local Land Services for advice on registering brands and earmarks.
- Cattle must be identified with an approved permanent identifier (NLIS device) before leaving any property or before entering NSW from another state. Producers should check that all NLIS devices are still present and replace any that are lost. In addition, all movements of cattle, including those between properties, must be recorded on the NLIS Database.
- Sheep and goats born on or after 1 January 2006 must be identified with an approved permanent identifier (NLIS tag) before leaving their property of birth, and relevant information about the movements of sheep and goats must be recorded and retained for seven years by the person who consigned the stock and by the person who has bought or received the stock.
- Cattle, sheep, goats and horses must be accompanied by an approved movement document when transported by vehicle (road, rail, water or air) from their current location to another (exemptions to be considered). Approved documentation includes a National Vendor Declaration (NVD) and a Transported Stock Statement (TSS). The owner of the livestock must correctly complete the livestock movement documentation prior to moving stock. Contact your Local Land Services office for advice on tagging or movement exemptions and documentation.
- Livestock identification devices (including tags, pliers and branding irons) should be securely locked away when not in use.
- Missing NLIS devices should be reported to police as soon as possible.
- Livestock should be regularly checked to ensure that suspected losses are recognised and reported to police as soon as possible.
- Maintain accurate and up-to-date records of individual stock identification numbers and stock totals including purchases, sales, deaths and rations.
- Valuable stock should be photographed and/or videoed.
- Stock should not be left in yards or holding paddocks adjacent to stockyards unless they are in sight of the homestead.
- Stock handling facilities (yards and race) should be kept locked and regularly checked for signs of unexplained activity (damaged gates, fresh manure and hoof marks).

Item Description	Make & Model	Serial or Identification Number	Distinctive Mark/s	Distinctive Marking/s	Purchase Date & Price	Purchase Location/ Store	Photographed Y/N

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Notes



NSW Police Force