

TRESPASSING

Trespassers pose a significant concern for landholders, often unlawfully entering properties to hunt illegally and committing offences such as wilful damage to property, harm to livestock, and fuel theft. To safeguard your property, consider applying these security measures:

- Lock boundary gates.
- Consider installing security cameras to monitor entrance points and homestead areas.
- Keep a record of equipment on the property and secure valuable items in a lockable shed. Regularly update your records and always know where your equipment is located.
- Keep a daily diary of all activities on the property.
- Keep a record of anyone who has permission to be on the property and require them to notify the property manager every time they come onto the property.
- If trespassers are sighted, record the time, date, and a description of the people and vehicles. Take photos or videos if it is safe to do so.

For more information visit:

www.police.qld.gov.au/RuralCrimePrevention

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If a crime is happening now, call **Triple Zero (000)**.
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FUEL TANK SECURITY



FUEL THEFT IS ONE OF THE MOST COMMON TYPES OF THEFT EXPERIENCED ON FARMS

By adopting some simple preventative strategies, we can significantly reduce the risk of fuel theft and its impact on our rural communities.

LOCK TANKS

- The first step in preventing fuel theft is to lock your fuel tank. While a determined thief can use bolt cutters, a good strong padlock and chain can be a deterrent.
- If there is an electrically controlled pump on the tank, ensure that the control switch is located in a locked building or house and that the electricity is turned off when the fuel tank is not in use.

LOCATION OF FUEL TANKS

- Ensure storage tanks are located away from the road, in a secure location. The further the tank is located from the road, the better.

MAINTAIN VISIBILITY

- Keep the area around the pumps or tanks clear of equipment and other obstructions.
- If there is more than one tank, consider placing them in one area as it will be simpler to monitor.
- Should you have both diesel and fuel tanks, consider the use of a colour coded system to identify contents rather than labelling the tanks.

SECURITY

- Close and lock the valves on all tanks including overhead tanks when not in use.
- Turn off the power to the pumps.
- Keep track of fuel purchases. If possible, dip tanks daily and monitor your fuel usage so that you know if there is an unexplained loss of fuel.
- If possible, keep a book at the tank for each user to record fuel usage for various vehicles and machinery.
- Ask your fuel agent to notify you when the tanks are being refilled.
- Consider installing security cameras to monitor the use of the fuel tanks. Some cameras can send photos direct to smartphones.
- A well-trained dog and sensor lighting can be effective security measures, deterring intruders and alerting residents to their presence. Ensure fuel tanks are well-lit at night with security lighting.
- Store only minimal amounts of fuel in hard to secure areas such as in paddocks or machinery left in paddocks.

