



# Safer Together Lock it. Hide it. Keep it safe.



## The Queensland Police Service, through the Safer Together framework, focuses on simple, practical actions to reduce the risk of home break-ins and vehicle theft.

By adopting small, everyday habits, you can help protect your home, vehicle, and loved ones.



### Lock it. Every night.

Many home break-ins happen at night while residents are home and asleep. Offenders often target properties with unlocked doors, windows, or garages.

#### Simple steps to secure your home

- ✓ Lock all doors and windows every night, even when you are home.
- ✓ Use internal deadlocks where possible.
- ✓ Secure garages, side gates, and rear access points.
- ✓ Avoid leaving vehicles unlocked in driveways.
- ✓ Make locking up a nightly habit to reduce risk.

*Small actions make safer homes.*



### Hide it. Keys out of sight.

Offenders often break into homes to steal car keys, making vehicle theft the primary driver of home break-ins.

#### Simple steps to secure your car

- ✓ Keep keys out of sight and away from doors or windows.
- ✓ Avoid leaving keys on benches or near entry points.
- ✓ Never store spare keys inside your car.
- ✓ Use steering locks or immobilisers where possible.

***Remove the opportunity. Secure your keys. Protect your vehicle.***



## Keep it safe. See it, Report it.

Offenders often test multiple homes, looking for easy access. Early reporting of suspicious behaviour helps police act before incidents occur.

### What to look out for

- ✓ People testing doors or windows.
- ✓ Individuals entering yards or private property without reason.
- ✓ Vehicles repeatedly driving slowly through residential streets.
- ✓ Groups loitering near homes or moving between properties.

*If something doesn't feel right, trust your instincts and report it early.*



## Look out for each other.

Offenders often return to familiar areas, but community awareness can reduce the risk.

### How to support your community

- ✓ Check in with your neighbours.
- ✓ Share accurate local safety information.
- ✓ Report suspicious activity near a neighbour's home.
- ✓ Support neighbours who have been affected by crime.

*Shared awareness creates safer streets.*



## Improve visibility.

Offenders prefer properties with low visibility and easy access. Making your home more visible can deter them.

### Simple steps to increase visibility

- ✓ Turn on external lights at entry points.
- ✓ Trim hedges and remove hiding spots.
- ✓ Install sensor lighting.
- ✓ Use quality locks and security screens.
- ✓ Secure fences and gates.
- ✓ Install cameras or alarms if possible.

*Visible security makes your home less appealing to offenders.*



## Your safety comes first.

If someone attempts to enter your home, your safety is the priority. Confronting offenders can increase the risk of violence.

### What to do if someone attempts entry

- ✓ Do not approach or challenge suspicious individuals.
- ✓ Do not try to detain or pursue an offender.
- ✓ Move to a safe location.
- ✓ Call 000 immediately.
- ✓ Let police handle the situation.

*Your safety is what matters most. Police will respond as quickly as possible.*

**By taking small, simple steps every day, you can reduce the opportunity for crime and help protect your home, your vehicle, and your family.**

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