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Keep your money, gadgets and other valuables out of view from windows, doors or anywhere else they could be seen from outside.

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Leave lights on timers or radios in the rooms you use the most, to make it look like you are in. For further information about TV simulators and other security suggestions visit our website.

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If you have a burglar alarm, set it every time you leave the house or go to bed. For more information about burglar alarms, visit our website or buy it from a reputable company by visiting www.buywithconfidence.gov.uk, www.nsi.org.uk or www.ssaib.org

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If your vehicle does not have an alarm then have one fitted. Look for a Thatcham approved alarm system.

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When parking away from home, try to park in a place that is well lit and overlooked. If using a public car park, try to use one that is supervised or a Park Mark® Safer Parking Facility. These have been vetted by the police and have measures in place to create a safer environment for you and your vehicle.

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Fit locking, anti-tamper wheel nuts to secure alloy wheels. Stolen wheels are valuable, either as parts or for their scrap value. Using locking wheel nuts reduces the risk of your vehicle's wheels being stolen.

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Good quality doors and windows help keep your building secure. External doors, windows, cellar flaps, yard gates and doors to outbuildings should be kept locked whenever they're not in use.

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Ensure that your cash registers cannot be operated from the customers' side of the bar, with all cash emptied and removed regularly after each session. The drawers should be left open when emptied, with charity boxes anchored to the counter and locked away when not in use.

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Stocks of wine, spirits and cigarettes should be kept in a secure store inside the premises protected by an alarm. Use mortise locks or padlocks to secure the doors.

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Visible CCTV and intruder alarms will deter burglars. For more information about securing your business premises, visit essex.police.uk/cp and ico.org.uk.

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Ensure that any money is emptied and removed regularly from the till. The drawers should be left open when emptied, with charity boxes anchored to the counter and locked away when not in use.

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Protect portable high value goods such as jewellery or electronics, by removing them from display windows overnight and locking them in a secure room or a safe that is bolted in place and hidden away. This will protect cash and valuable items overnight. Before installing a safe, contact your insurance company for advice to make sure it meets their standards.



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