

Number plate theft

Key crime prevention tips

- Secure your number plates.
- Park in a secure and well-lit area.

Theft prevention checklist

Secure your number plates

- Secure your plates with anti-theft screws or pop rivets.
- Anti-theft screws are fitted with a standard screwdriver but can only be removed with a special tool.

Park in a secure and well-lit area

- Park off the street. A locked garage is best or off the street in your driveway if you don't have a garage.
- If parked in a driveway, consider installing a sensor light.
- If you need to park on the street, park in a well-lit area.

What to do if your number plates have been stolen

- Obtain a new set of plates from VicRoads: <u>www.vicroads.vic.gov.au.</u>
- Notify the following of your new registration details:
 - insurance company.
 - roadside assistance provider.
 - toll provider, for example EastLink or CityLink.

What to do if your number plates have been used illegally

- Complete a statutory declaration outlining the situation.
- Contest the fine. Attach the statutory declaration.
- If you have received multiple fines, contact PAL or your local police station for further advice.
- Contact VicRoads to cancel your registration.

Report it

- Report stolen plates to the Police Assistance Line on 131 444, as soon as possible.
- For emergencies, to report a crime in progress, or for immediate police attendance, call Triple Zero (000).
- Report anonymously to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or <u>www.crimestoppers.com</u>. <u>au</u>.

For more information, visit police.vic.gov.au/your-safety