

Secured by Design



Official Police Security Initiative

**REPORT ALL CRIME**  
TO YOUR LOCAL POLICE AREA

SBD is the UK Police flagship initiative that works on behalf of Police & Crime Commissioners and Chief Constables to deliver a wide range of crime prevention initiatives.

SBD provides a recognised standard for all security products that can deter and reduce crime and keep people safe.

SBD's Police Preferred Specification accreditation is awarded only when businesses are deemed to meet its rigorous police security requirements.

SBD is the only way for companies to obtain police accreditation for security related products in the UK.

For further advice on security marking and registering your property, visit the Secured by Design (SBD) website

[www.securedbydesign.com](http://www.securedbydesign.com)



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Construction  
& Agricultural  
Machinery  
**Crime  
Prevention  
Advice**



## 1 What to mark your property with

- Use a police approved property marking system only visible under Ultraviolet (UV) light. This can take the form of a special marker using ink or paint
- Mark or etch your property with your postcode prefixed with the number of your address eg 63 WR6 2BB

## 2 Physical Devices

- Trackers
- Alarms
- Immobilisers
- CCTV
- Locks

For machinery & vehicles such as **tractors, quad bikes & surveying equipment**, consider having these items fitted with a **tracking device** and/or **security asset tags**.

Items such as **quad bikes, sit-on lawn mowers** and **rotivators** etc are very desirable to thieves. Consider shackling them together or chain to a hitch secured to the ground or strong fabric of a building making them difficult to remove.

Lock or immobilise vehicles and equipment when not in use. Remove keys from tractors & other vehicles left unattended.

If you are using a tracking company you **MUST** still contact Police to create a crime report number, the tracking company will need this to call for Police assistance.

### Visible markers

Permanent Marker Pens,  
Waterproof Paint Stencils or Engraving.

*Specialised overt marking kits available on the market.*

### Invisible markers

UV Pens.

Repeat your markings as many times as possible across your property in numerous different places.

## 3 Make a Property ID file

- Make, Model, Colour, Value
- Serial no. VIN, engine, reg. number
- Insurer details
- Photographs
- ID marking, where and what
- Distinguishing marks, damage, logos

Save on your computer or keep on a memory stick and **keep it in a safe place**. By having these records, if your property is stolen you will have as much information as possible to give to the police to help locate your property.

**Remember to mark & record machine attachments such as drills, buckets & ploughs.**



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## WHAT TO DO IF YOUR MACHINERY IS STOLEN

Phone the police as soon as possible and provide as much information as you can.

- Make, Model, serial, chassis, engine, registration, colour, distinguishing marks
- Where taken from
- Time taken or time last seen until the time you noticed it missing
- Any CCTV?
- Tracker fitted? Company details?
- Security marking?
- Consider reporting thefts to the manufacturer, including the serial numbers of the stolen equipment for flagging on their global database – this renders the equipment harder to sell

## 999 or 101?

Dial **999** when there is;

- A crime is happening right now.
- Someone is in immediate danger, or there is a risk of serious damage to property.
- A suspect for a serious crime is nearby.

Dial **101** when;

- Report a crime not currently in progress.
- Give information to the police about crime in your area.
- Speak to the police about a general enquiry.