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# YOUR BIKE?

Lock it  
& log it



**SAVE** **OUR**  
**CYCLES**

# PROTECT YOUR CYCLE



## Lock securely at all times

**Park your cycle in as secure a location as possible.**

Lock it to a solid stand that is securely attached (ideally concreted) to the ground, well overlooked and covered by CCTV. If you have access to a secure cycle park, use it. Ensure you use at least one lock with Sold Secure Gold rating or above.

Lock your frame and both wheels to the stand as tightly as possible. **Two D-locks or a D-lock plus a cable are ideal.**

Always lock your cycle, even if you are leaving it for just a minute to pop into a shop!

## Record your frame number and cycle description somewhere safe

**Save a photo of your cycle** and receipt along with the frame number as a contact in your phone or keep safe somewhere at home. Cycle marking kits can improve identification.

**Keep important information** including manufacturer and model, predominant colour(s), size and frame number along with details and receipts for any accessories. The frame number is usually found on the bottom bracket or seat tube.



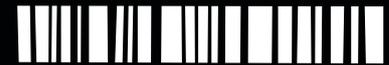
## Register your cycle

Register your cycle with frame number and description at [bikeregister.com](http://bikeregister.com). If you don't have access to the internet at home, you could ask a friend to help or go to the library. Your local bike shop may also be able to help you.

If your cycle is not registered online, the police are unlikely to be able to help you recover it.



Find the **frame number** on the bottom bracket or seat tube



**Buying a bike?  
Check the frame  
number**

## Don't buy a stolen cycle

Ask for the **frame number** before you buy it and check it against online registration sites to see if it has been reported as stolen.

If you buy a stolen bike and it is recovered by the police, you will likely lose both your cycle and your money.



## What to do if your cycle is stolen

- ✓ **Report the theft to the police** using the online form or webchat at [cambs.police.uk/report](https://cambs.police.uk/report), by calling 101, or visiting the police station. You will need your frame number, a detailed description of your cycle and specific details about the location and time of the theft.
- ✓ **Report the theft to site management** where your bike was stolen e.g. workplace, station operators, college porters.
- ✓ **Record your cycle as stolen** on as many online platforms as possible including [www.bikeregister.com](https://www.bikeregister.com) and [stolen-bikes.co.uk](https://stolen-bikes.co.uk).
- ✓ **Post on the 'Stolen Bikes in Cambridge' Facebook group**, an active community working to reunite people with their stolen cycles.
- ✓ **Search as many online selling sites** as you can. Facebook and Gumtree are good places to start and [findthatbike.co.uk](https://findthatbike.co.uk) is a useful tool. If you locate your cycle, let the police know.



**If you see someone stealing a bike, this is a 'crime in action' and you should dial 999.**

If you have other information about the theft of a cycle you should call 101.





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For more information about keeping your cycle safe,  
visit [www.camcycle.org.uk/cycletheft](http://www.camcycle.org.uk/cycletheft)

## Your cycle details

Frame number: .....

Make: .....

Model: .....

Colour and description: .....

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