

BE ENGAGED: REPORT IT.

Be safe. Know more. Our Top Tips!

Keeping you, your family and your community safe is a priority. Here is some information to help you stay safe.

SCAMS

- ✓ Don't give out personal information or money to anyone you don't know, especially if it's an online romance discussion.
- ✓ Don't be too trusting.
- ✓ Don't talk to someone you don't know, **JUST HANG UP THE PHONE.**
- ✓ Do not click on a link from an unknown sender.
- ✓ Passwords: Make it personal, use the make and model of your first bicycle, or car, also consider using a **PASS PHRASE** eg: i like ice cream on January 1.

CREDIT CARDS

- ✓ Never hand over your physical credit card to anyone, keep the credit card in your hands at all times.
- ✓ Check your bank statements frequently.
- ✓ If something does happen report it immediately to your financial institution.
- ✓ If you provide your credit card details to somebody you are responsible for that loss.
- ✓ If you travel overseas or buy a lot of items online, then you should consider having a credit card specifically for this activity which has a lower credit limit and therefore presents lower risk.

ONLINE CHILD PROTECTION

- ✓ Stay engaged with your child's online activities and talk openly about them.
- ✓ Check apps and games for direct messaging or chat features, as these can be used by offenders.
- ✓ Adjust privacy settings - turn off location and chat functions, and set profiles to private.
- ✓ Teach online safety and how to spot suspicious behavior.
- ✓ Be approachable so your child feels safe asking for help.
- ✓ **REPORT TO:** www.accce.gov.au/report

PROTECT YOUR HOME

- ✓ Secure your home: Install quality security doors, windows, alarms, and cameras. Ensure good lighting at entry points.
- ✓ Stay mindful: Avoid leaving spare keys outside or valuables in clear view. Trim trees for better visibility.
- ✓ When away: Use timers for lights or radios, and ask a trusted person to check in, collect mail, and park in your driveway.

PROTECT YOUR FARM

- ✓ Keep records of livestock and fuel levels in case of theft.
- ✓ Lock gates with heavy duty chains or padlocks to deter trespassing.
- ✓ Ensure firearms are stored correctly in a locked container.
- ✓ Where possible, install quality cameras to deter criminals.

TO FIND MORE SAFETY TIPS VISIT:
nsw.crimestoppers.com.au/be-safe



YOUR COMMUNITY, YOUR CALL

The safety and security of our community is everyone's responsibility. Crime Stoppers can help you, help your community.

We provide a 24 x7 confidential reporting line.

We don't want to know who you are;
we just want information.



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Why report criminal information?

Reporting criminal information is the right thing to do. Whether a crime has been committed against you, someone you know or someone in your community, reporting criminal information can help increase the safety of everyone.

There are so many good reasons to report crime:

- ✓ Reporting criminal information can keep you, your family and your community safe.
- ✓ Reporting criminal information can stop the offender from committing further crimes and prevent others from being harmed.
- ✓ Reporting criminal information can help stop the behaviour before it escalates.
- ✓ The more criminal information is reported, the higher the percentage of crime gets solved, and a higher chance of property being recovered.
- ✓ Reporting criminal information such as property theft or damage can help you with your insurance claim for example.
- ✓ Reporting criminal information can often lead to solving multiple crimes by the same person.

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How to report criminal information?

Report, actual or suspected, criminal information **IN CONFIDENCE**. Crime Stoppers, operates a state-wide, centralised contact centre, 24 x 7 x 365 days a year. When you call us, the call **does not** go to your local police station it goes to the Crime Stoppers Contact Centre. Online reporting is quick and easy. We don't want to know who you are; we just want to know what you know.

There is no caller ID when you call us.

- ✓ You can help by reporting anything suspicious, strange, or concerning.
- ✓ Any piece of information, anything you have seen or heard, may be crucial in preventing or solving a crime.
- ✓ Report online at nsw.crimestoppers.com.au or by phone 1800 333 000

Other ways to report or contact police:

- ✓ Call Triple Zero (000), for a crime in progress. The incident is happening now. The suspect is still at the scene. Anyone is seriously injured or in immediate danger.
- ✓ Victim of a crime? Use the **Community Portal** – You can also report theft, break and enter incidents, malicious damage, and other minor crimes online through the Community Portal. You'll receive a reference number immediately and can upload photos and video at the time of making your report, aiding the police in their investigation.

Visit <https://portal.police.nsw.gov.au/>

Suspicious Activity?

If you feel uncertain or worried about reporting criminal information, you can report to Crime Stoppers **IN CONFIDENCE**. You don't need to give your name or any personal details; you can just give us the information.

Reporting something suspicious can sometimes even prevent a crime.

For example:

- ✓ A home with blackened windows and people going in and out of that home at all hours of the day and night.
- ✓ Someone asking you to ignore something you know is wrong.
- ✓ Someone with an expensive lifestyle that doesn't match their income or the suburb they are living in.

REPORT CRIMINAL INFORMATION HERE

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Scan this code to report
to Crime Stoppers online