



vehicle security

fact sheet

Thieves visit Centennial Parklands too!

Is vehicle security an issue in Centennial Parklands?

Centennial Parklands is a public parklands attracting around 10 million visits per year. Visiting the Parklands is similar to visiting any such public park in that visitors should take all normal precautions for the security of their vehicles and possessions at all times.

Over time there have been incidents of vehicles being broken into. While such incidents are low, it is the responsibility of all visitors to ensure they take proper precautions to minimise the opportunity and/or likelihood of such an incident occurring.



Cars on Parkes Drive, Centennial Park

How can I minimise the risk?

Centennial Parklands recommends a few simple tips to minimise the risk of your vehicle being targeted:

1. Visible belongings are a risk : Always take personal belongings with you when you leave your vehicle or put them away out of sight in places such as the glove-box or boot.
2. Lock up every time: Always lock doors, close windows and your sunroof every time you leave your car.
3. Never leave your keys in the ignition: Even if you leave your car for a minute or two, never leave your keys in the ignition. Your car can be stolen in an instant.
4. Lock up your bike: Lock your motor bike, scooter or bicycle with a high quality lock, to something secure such as rails or ground anchors, every time you leave it unattended.

What else can I do to secure my vehicle?

The National Motor Vehicle Theft Reduction Council (NMVTRC) recommends a number of measures to deter and minimise the opportunistic thief, including:

- Use of steering wheel locks;
- Installation of a high quality audible car alarms; and/or
- Installation of an engine immobiliser (immobilisers should meet Australian Standard 4601:1999).

What if my vehicle is broken into?

If your vehicle is unfortunately the target of theft, ring the NSW Police Assistance Line on 131 444.

Centennial Parklands would also appreciate notification of such incidents in order to alert our Parklands Rangers of such activity. Please call (02) 9339 6699 or 0412 718 611 to report any incidents of theft, or visit our Parklands Office on Banksia Way, Centennial Park (adjacent to Centennial Parklands Dining).