



# Let's Talk About MARINE CRIME



5 MINUTES



5 TIPS

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**Fit good quality locks to your boat.** Using surface mounted barrel locks or cheap padlocks are more likely to attract the attention of thieves.

We recommend a good quality padlock and hasp'n'staple secured by stainless steel nut and bolts. Outboards should be fitted with a specific outboard lock. If you are unable to lock it – remove it.

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**Trailers are easy targets for thieves.** Always fit a quality trailer lock to the hitch and a wheel clamp, or better still fit a detachable hitch and remove it. Consider having a ground anchor fitted and chain the trailer to it.

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**Mark your property.** This deters thieves and helps us return your property if it gets stolen. Consider using paint or a permanent marker, an ultra-violet permanent marker or Datatag.

Selecta DNA property marking kits are available specifically for marine equipment.

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**Fitting an alarm to your boat and advertising it is a great deterrent.**

Consider a sensor on the hatch with a passive infra-red beam in the main cabin. Guard wires can be fitted which activate when cut, these are ideal to protect dinghies and outboard motors. Sirens fitted inside the cabin will disorientate an intruder and fitting strobes to the highest point on the mast will help draw attention.

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**Always remove any ladders or other means of access to your boat** if you are storing your boat on hardstanding.

Read this leaflet? Pass it on to a relative, friend or neighbour.  
Let's all talk about crime and how to prevent it happening.

