

# ANTI HIJACKING TIPS

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## 1. The 5-Minute Rule

Make it a habit to focus on your surroundings when you are 5 minutes from your home. Be extra alert. Switch off the car radio and concentrate on your surroundings. If you have noticed any vehicle behind you, do not pull into your driveway or even attempt to open your security gate. Drive to your nearest police station.

## 2. Keep It In Reverse

Remember to stop your vehicle just on the inside of the gate and select reverse whilst waiting for the gate to close. This creates confusion and may buy you a few seconds for the gate to close completely behind you. Try not to pull into your driveway, rather wait in the road with your indicator on while observing your surroundings before turning into your driveway or garage.

## 3. Light It Up

Make sure your driveway is well lit and clear from shrubbery where perpetrators can hide.

## 4. Extra Eyes

When returning home after dark, ensure that an outside light is on, or have someone meet you at the gate.

## 5. Watch Out For Traps

If you are having trouble with your motorised gate when you arrive home, do not get out of your vehicle to open your gate manually as this may be a trap. Alert your security company.

## 6. Keep Those Eyes Peeled

When approaching your driveway, be on the lookout for suspicious vehicles/persons. This is very important as the majority of hijackers approach their victims in home driveways.

## 7. Know Where Your Nearest Police Station Is

Only pull over when it's safe. Some syndicates use bogus police or traffic officers. In the event of being approached by an unmarked SAPS vehicle, you should switch on your hazards, put your hand out of the window and indicate that they should follow you. Bogus police are driving unmarked white sedan vehicles with blue lights.

## 8. Don't Stop If You Don't Feel Safe

If your vehicle is bumped from behind and you do not feel comfortable with the individual involved in the situation, drive to your nearest police station and instruct the person to follow you there.

## 9. Reverse and Drive Away

If you encounter obstacles in the road such as rocks or tyres, do not get out of your vehicle to remove them.

## 10. The Escape Gap

When stopping behind another vehicle, leave half a vehicle length in front of your vehicle to make an emergency escape if necessary.



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## BEGGING AT INTERSECTIONS

Business Fighting Crime hereby makes an appeal to you to refrain from giving money to those individuals begging at the various intersections.

This will result in many realizing that it is not feasible for them to live on the streets.

Please help to be part of the solution to the problem as opposed to adding to the problem.

We encourage those who want to give towards the homeless, to rather support the various organizations supporting the homeless.