

Checklist

Safety while underway



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Motorcycle security



As if the pain of the loss of a precious motorcycle was not bad enough in itself, the hassle really starts with red tape, endless filling out of forms, and fussing with the insurance company. By the time the insurance company has finally paid out, the year's best weeks for motorcycle riding are long since over...

- **Is the parking spot safe?**

A deserted side street is just as bad as the parking spot next to the movie theater. A location next to a bar or at a bus stop with corresponding foot traffic is better.

- **Never forget to use the steering wheel lock!**

Without an additional lock, the motorcycle is easy prey for a thief. Each additional lock indicates to the purloinment expert: there is more trouble and work here than was expected.

- **Secure it to a fixed object!**

Wherever possible, you should use a high-quality additional lock to lock your valuable motorcycle to a fixed object. Brake disk locks are quickly thwarted if the professional thief arrives with a skateboard or transport trailer.

- **Just having an alarm system is not enough!**

Alarm systems and engine immobilizers have no effect until the theft has already occurred. That's precisely what high-quality additional locks can prevent.

- **Watch out for picking!**

More and more professional thieves depend on intelligent special tools that allow many locks to be easily opened (through picking). Many motorcycle locks are equipped with what are known as tubular cylinders (the ones with the round keys). This design is something that professionals can only chuckle about. Just one special tool allows these locks to be easily opened. Our advice: Don't use them!

- **Pay attention to certificates!**

Top securing products feature extensive use of high-tech materials and high-quality locking systems. The top products of the sector can be recognized by the labels of international test institutes. Take note of the VdS certificate on high-quality locks.

- **Watch out for ice!**

Many cheap steels can be defeated by treatment with ice spray. High-quality locks resist ice spray attacks and are indicated by a corresponding certifying seal.

- **Do you always take your lock with you?**

The best lock doesn't stand a chance if it isn't taken with the motorcycle. The major motorcycle manufacturers today offer numerous models with U-lock mounts under the seat. See the motorcycle lock guide.

- **Two are better than one!**

Secure your motorcycle with two locks of different design. Professional thieves usually specialize in one particular lock type.