

# BIKE PASSPORT

This is your

## Lock-it or Lose-it!

Always lock your bike when it is not in use, even when leaving it for a brief moment outside a shop or house. A thief only needs a few seconds to steal an unlocked bicycle. Don't let it be yours.

Never leave your bike unlocked or in the garden when home. Lock it up securely in a garage, shed or other secure building.

Purchase the best bicycle lock you can afford, a cheap lock is a false economy. Most cycle shops recommend spending at least 10% of the bicycle price on a good sturdy locking system. Solid 'D' locks are the most secure. All but the thickest cable locks can be easily cut open with bolt cutters.

Always lock your bike to something - not just to itself. Lock through the rear wheel as well as the frame. When you're out and about, lock your bike to a proper cycle parking stand if one is available. Choose a visible, well lit location and make sure your bike is not an obstruction. Take all removable items with you.