



Keeping Your Bike Safe While at University

At Swansea University we are working hard to reduce bike crime by introducing several initiatives to help you and your bike stay together.

If you are bringing a bike to University please read the following advice and take action against bike theft today.

1) Lock it! (Free locks are available)

Use a D-Lock to lock the frame to a cycle stand, and an additional chain type lock to secure through the wheels (especially if they are quick release). You can pick up your Free D –lock at **MyUniHub** or at any of the bike events held on Campus.

2) Snap it! (Take photos)

Take photos of your bike including close up pictures of the make, model and frame number. Record your Make Model and Frame Number and keep in a safe place.

3) Mark it! (Free bike marking is available)

You should also get your bike security marked on the frame with your name and postcode and register it on the Immobilise website. To register your bike go to <https://www.immobilise.com/> If your bike is lost or stolen and then recovered the Police can check the register and return to the owner. You can add other valuables like your laptops, mobile phones etc.

4) Find it! (Your Bike)

Stolen Bikes UK provides a number of services to help you recover your bike if stolen:

Find that Bike: <https://findthatbike.co.uk/> pulls together adverts for second-hand bikes from various websites, including Gumtree and eBay, into one large search able gallery. You can also set up an e mail alert to inform you if a bike matching your search is listed for sale.

Check that Bike: <https://checkthatbike.co.uk/> collates information from insurers, bike manufacturers and the Police about recovered stolen bikes, and allows members of the public to check their bike frame number against the records held on the database.

Please report information on bike crime by calling 101, or if a bike crime is in progress call 999.