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Test Drive Theft

Test drive thefts occur when a thief responds to an advert for a vehicle sale pretending to be a genuine buyer. When they meet the vendor they ask for a test drive and never return with the vehicle.



How you can prevent it



Go with the prospective buyer on any test drive and don't leave anyone alone with the vehicle and its keys.



Keep control of the vehicle's key. Criminals will attempt to swap the original key with a counterfeit key.



Ask any potential buyer for contact details and to see their driving licence and insurance. Never leave the vehicle keys in the ignition – keep hold of them.