



## The Master Lock® guide to securing your bicycle

### Choosing a lock – top five tips

- 1- Buy the best lock possible. You should invest at least 15% of the total value of your bike – more if you use your bike daily, secure it for long stays or in public places.
- 2- Select the style that suits your needs. U-lock, chain, foldable, street cuff and cable designs from Master Lock® offer different flexibility, such as size and weight.
- 3- Check the security level. The UK has a Sold Secure rating system and Master Lock®'s Criterion™ and high security ranges have both been awarded gold status. Master Lock® also displays a handy security scale on its packaging.
- 4- Two locks are better than one. Securing the front and back wheel of your bike makes its doubly difficult for thieves and is an added deterrent.
- 5- Is it weatherproof? It rains a lot in the UK and a rusty lock can weaken the mechanism. For added peace of mind, Master Lock® locks are corrosion resistant and benefit from a limited lifetime warranty against mechanical failures.

### Locking your bike – top five tips

- 1- Pick where you lock your bike. If you have to leave it in a public area, check it's well-lit, busy with passing people and under the watchful eye of CCTV cameras.
- 2- Attach your bike to something secure. Look for a fixed post or gate, then secure the bike frame and wheel by threading your lock through both of them – your front wheel is the easiest to remove.
- 3- Secure your lock high up. A lock at ground level or touching the floor is easier to destroy with a hammer.
- 4- Remove accessories. Sounds obvious, but leaving bike lights or drinking bottles attached is an easy win for thieves.
- 5- Register and insure your bike. Visit [www.bikeregister.com](http://www.bikeregister.com) to add your bike to the UK's police approved national database. If you are insuring your bike too then a Sold Secure certified lock is usually a standard requirement.



### About Master Lock®

Recognised around the world as the authentic, enduring name in padlocks and security products; Master Lock® keeps developing innovative and high quality products. Leader in security solutions for sports, home, school, work and travel solutions, Master Lock® has recently launched a full range of storage security and safes solutions. Master Lock® padlocks are covered under a limited lifetime warranty. Find out more information on [www.masterlock.eu](http://www.masterlock.eu)

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