



BEWARE OF DOG THEFTS

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Dog thefts have increased 10-fold during the pandemic. Ensure your dog is microchipped and registered with up to date information and has a collar and dog tag (use your surname rather than the dog's name and your telephone contact). Take plenty of clear photographs of your dog and especially of any distinctive markings. Never leave a dog unattended in the garden, car or outside shops.

Don't give details of your pets, your location or your favourite walking spots on social media and make sure your security settings are set to friends only. When out, always know where your dog is. Be mindful of anyone who may be trying to distract your attention from your dog or attract your dog's attention away from you.

If your dog is stolen report it to police on 101 and to your local authority dog warden.