



MACHINERY & SHEDS



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- Machinery, tools and other valuable farm equipment should be stored in a locked shed or fenced enclosure that can be padlocked.
- When it is necessary to leave machinery out in the paddock, position equipment where it can be seen from the home and out of sight of public areas. Equipment should be secured with heavy chains and case hardened locks (e.g. chain and lock equipment to trees or other strongly anchored objects, chain wheels to axles/chain steering wheel to frame).
- Keys should be removed, doors locked and lockable fuel caps used to prevent theft or contamination of fuel.
- Consider disabling the equipment by removing the distributor cap, battery or rotor. When practical, remove hitches from trailers.
- Tools or other equipment should not be left unsecured in the cab or tray of vehicles.
- Remote smart cameras are useful to enable offsite monitoring of equipment and sheds. Options range from stand-alone solar powered units with footage recorded to SD card to others using a Wi-Fi signal and uploading to the cloud.

SHEARING SHEDS

- Handpieces, combs and cutters, wool packs, stencils, earmark pliers, ear-tags, paint brands and other valuable equipment should be regularly accounted for and locked away when not in use.
- Wool bales should be securely stored in a locked storage area.
- Details such as model and serial numbers of all shearing shed expert equipment including grinders and wool presses should be recorded in an inventory of all farm equipment.
- All external doors, windows and chutes should be designed so they can be locked.
- Use a reputable shearing contractor and carrier.

GRAIN, HAY AND SEED

- Grain, hay and seed should be stored in locked silos, bins or sheds. Ensure storage areas are well lit and loading equipment should be padlocked when not in use.
- Silos and other storage should be located in a high visibility area preferably within sight of the main residence .
- Rather than leaving trucks with grain standing overnight in paddocks, have them stored close to any main sheds or house.

STOCKYARDS AND LOADING RAMPS

- Stockyard gates and loading ramps should be padlocked to prevent others from using them without permission.
- Stockyards should be built in sight of the home and other storage sheds, rather than in remote locations or fronting onto roads.

REPORT ANONYMOUSLY

If you have information about unsolved crime or suspicious activity, anonymously share it with Crime Stoppers online or freecall 1800 333 000

