

Agricultural Vehicle Security

Helping to protect your business



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Don't be a Victim of Theft

- Recent figures suggest that approximately £1.5 million of construction and agricultural plant and machinery was stolen in the UK every week*
- Tractors are the second most stolen piece of equipment particularly John Deere*
- Over 1,265 trailers were reported stolen of which over 80% were manufactured by Ifor Williams*
- Quad bikes are also high on the list of rural stolen items*

Whilst the theft of your tractor or other agricultural machinery can be compensated for providing it is insured, by payment or replacement, the impact of the loss at a critical time for your business may mean financial hardship if you lose business or are unable to harvest.

In addition there may be potential uninsured costs which could include:

- The insurance policy excess
- Hire of replacement
- Unused/idle labour costs
- Cost of your time dealing with the claim

CESAR

An innovation in recent years developed by Construction Equipment Association (CEA) and Datatag is CESAR (Construction Equipment Security And Registration) which is supported by the CEA, Agricultural Engineers Association, the Police, Thatcham (The Motor Insurance Repair Research Centre), the Home Office and the insurance industry.

How does CESAR work?

CESAR offers for a one off payment the following protection:

- The machine is fitted with 4 tamper proof triangular plates which are securely fitted to the machine with a unique identification number
- A number of RFID transponders, each the size of a grain of rice, are hidden in the machinery each with its own unique programmed code
- The machine has patches of forensic liquid DNA painted RFID on it in a number of locations. The liquid DNA has microscopic Datadots suspended in it which are invisible to the eye, this makes it literally impossible for thieves to remove all the tell-tale identification traces from a CESAR registered machine.
- Lifetime machine registration on Datatag's securing database, which gives the police and other official agencies 24/7 access to the registration information which is an important aid in identification and recovery.

* Source PANIU (The Plant and Agricultural National Intelligence Unit) Annual Report 2009/10



CESAR can be installed to any piece of existing plant or agricultural vehicle and is increasingly being installed by manufacturers on new vehicles.

For more information about CESAR either contact us or visit their website at www.cesarscheme.org.

A Few Security Tips

- Have your vehicle(s) security marked with CESAR or fit a Thatcham approved immobiliser
- Consider security lighting for yards and similar areas where vehicles are kept
- Etch the vehicle windows with the vehicle registration number if this has not been carried out
- Use suitable locking devices or heavy duty security chain and padlock for vehicles such as ATVs

Security Discounts

To assist you in protecting your vehicles we have negotiated a special security discount when an approved security device is fitted to your agricultural vehicle. This discount applies whether you have your vehicle registered on the CESAR scheme or where a Thatcham approved immobiliser or tracking system has been fitted.

The list of Thatcham approved immobilisers and tracking devices is available from the Thatcham website www.thatcham.org

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