

Tank security

A double skinned tank makes it more difficult for thieves to gain access to your fuel.

Good quality padlocks will deter an opportunistic thief who will not want to spend extra time trying to break it.

There are a number of suitable electronic alarms which can be easily installed which will give an audible signal if there is a sudden drop in the oil level. These are competitively priced and further information can be obtained from your local Community Safety Officer.

In partnership with your fuel supplier, further information can be obtained from your local Crime Prevention Officer.

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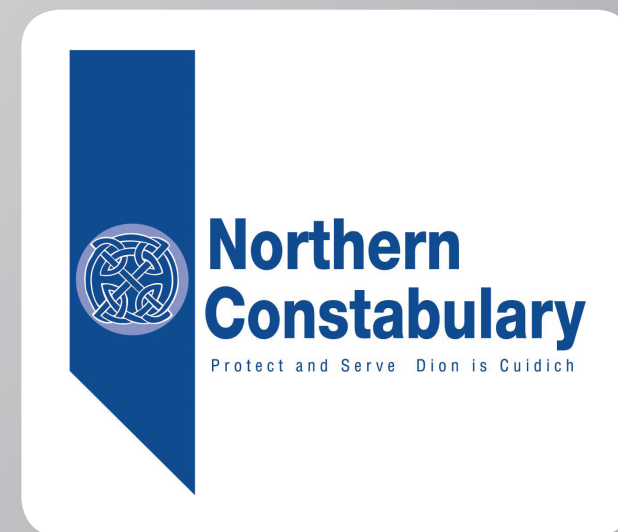
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Fuel Theft

A Drain on your Resources

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During an economic recession heating oil becomes more attractive to the thief who will actively target fuel tanks.

Would you leave £1000 sitting out in garden?

The resounding answer is no but a domestic 2000 litre tank can contain up to £1000 worth of fuel. Do you have the money to replace this?

The following are a few suggestions on how to protect and prevent theft of oil from your tank.

DISGUISE

Modern oil tanks can be disguised. Contact your supplier for further advice.

ECONOMY

Regularly check your oil level gauge, check your tank for leaks and any damage.

If you think you're using too much fuel contact your supplier who can provide consumption history and arrange a boiler check.

Electronic oil level gauges can be sited remotely and will sound an audible alarm if the oil levels drop suddenly.

Don't purchase cheap fuel from unrecognised suppliers. It could cost you more than you think. It could be stolen and contaminated.

If you are offered a bargain price it should be reported it to the police immediately or to Crimestoppers on **0800 555 111**

POSITION

Most tanks are positioned behind garages and secluded garden areas thus giving a would be thief a great opportunity to carry out a crime unseen.

Ideally the tank should be located where it can be overlooked.

OBSERVE

Security lighting, in the form of either low energy "Dawn to Dusk" lights or Motion sensor lighting, can act as great deterrent. After all thieves rarely want to be seen in the Spotlight

Together with your neighbours why not agree all to keep an eye on each others tanks.

Report any suspicious activity in your area to your local police station at the time.