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Motorcycle Theft: Improving Security Strategies for Owners

On behalf of the South Australian Vehicle Theft Reduction Committee (SAVTRC) I would like to invite you to participate in a survey relating to *motorcycle theft* (this includes road and off-road motorcycles, scooters and ATVs. etc.).

The aims/purpose of the study

This study aims to develop a greater understanding of motorcycle riders' attitudes and practices in relation to bike security and awareness of risk factors of bike theft. The results will be used by the SAVTRC to refine crime prevention strategies for motorcycle theft and to provide more accurate and helpful advice to riders and the motorcycle industry.

SAVTRC is a joint industry and government committee comprising representatives from:

- SA Police
- Department of Planning, Transport and Infrastructure
- Attorney General's Department
- RAA of South Australia
- Motor Trade Association of SA
- Insurance Industry

The collection and analysis of the data from the study will be undertaken by staff from the Comprehensive Auto-theft Research System (CARS), a research team that specialises in motor vehicle theft research and is based within the South Australian Attorney General's Department.

What does the research involve?

If you agree to participate in the study you will be asked to complete a single survey about your security practices and your understanding of the risk factors associated with motorcycle theft.

The survey is being conducted online and involves 22 to 46 questions depending on your responses and should take between 10 and 15 minutes.

What are my rights:

Your participation in this study is voluntary. You do not have to take part, but if you choose to, it will be greatly appreciated. You can withdraw at any time and you can choose not to answer any particular question in the survey.

If you agree to participate in the study your responses will remain confidential. Your privacy has been protected by the MRA who have **not** provided SAVTRC or CARS with any details of their members. The MRA has simply forwarded you details of this survey as they believe you may be interested in participating.



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The information you provide via the survey will only be used to develop motorcycle theft prevention policies and educational material for riders. Any published findings from the study will contain either summarised statistics or quotes based on respondents comments, however at no time will any individuals be identified.

If you have any questions about this study then please contact me on the telephone number provided below.

To participate:

To complete the survey please go online to

https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/MRASA by 31st July 2015.

Survey participants, if they wish, can be entered into a draw to win a \$200 Yamaha World voucher. To enter, simply provide us with an email or postal address at the end of the survey.

Thank you for your consideration.

Yours sincerely

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