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IMPORTANT INFORMATION FROM SA POLICE

This is the **fourth** Taxi Council bulletin on this subject. Since the last one dated the 13th November 2018, there have been at least two known incidents of taxis being stolen because the keys were left in the letterbox or on the vehicle's tyre.

There are people who know the changeover practices of some taxi drivers and look for the keys of a parked taxi. We have been advised that the theft of taxis is again on the rise simply by opportunist thieves who know that the keys could be near the parked taxi.

Keys left in unlocked letter boxes or on one of the tyres increase the risk of the taxi being targeted by thieves.

SA Police have recommended that keys are only placed in letterboxes which have a padlock and that enough keys are cut for the drivers and owners to access. Alternatively, a key box opened with a security code should be purchased or provide a vehicle key to each driver.

Do not leave your taxi keys on the tyre or in an unlocked letter box.

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