

Love your bike?

Keep it safe with 529 Garage.

Councils and cycling advocates across Aotearoa have teamed up to promote the use of the bike database 529 Garage – project529.com

Users can register their bike(s) or other mobility devices on the website or using the app. You can even register a friend's bike and email the details to them.



It is quick and easy to sign up. Registering a bike includes recording the brand and model, serial number and noting any unique features. You can upload several photos as well. You can always add more details later.

Users can report a stolen bike and alerts are sent out to people in the area. You can also check if a bike has been reported stolen and Police can check the database.

529 Garage also offers a tamper proof 'shield' (sticker) to allow you to quickly identify your bike and deter thieves.

Cloud storage – an alternative is to email your details to yourself or a trusted friend. Or save them on a secure cloud storage platform.

Visit www.cyclewellington.org.nz/529_garage_bike_security

Boost your bike confidence with Pedal Ready!

A cycle skills training course is a great way to gain confidence and skills to help you stay safe on the roads.

Pedal Ready provides free regular public courses, group sessions and workplace training on bikes and e-bikes.

We can also tailor one-on-one or parent-child training at your level.*

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*costs may apply

Security tips

Always lock your bike! Even a few minutes while you pop into the dairy is enough time for a bike thief.

Use a good lock, and use it right

Buy a good D-lock or chain. Thin cable locks are easy to cut. Ask your local bike shop for advice and expect to spend at least \$60. If you have a high-end bike or an e-bike, buy a great lock, or two.

Lock your bike through the frame, not just a wheel or around the forks. If you have a quick-release seat or wheels, lock those too. Take accessories with you.



Pick a good place

Find something solid to lock your bike to.

A bike rack is best. Some signposts aren't fixed in place.

Locking your bike in a busy place may mean a thief has less time to attack your lock without being noticed.

At school or work, watch out for places a thief could get to – don't trust that a private garage is secure.

Be kind, and don't block a path or doorway.

Lock your bike at home too. Don't leave your bike in a shared area or an open yard, garage or carport.

Write down your details

Write down the serial number of your bike. Turn your bike over to find it, stamped on the frame between the pedals.

Take photos to help you describe your bike if it's stolen.

Store these details safely, with a trusted bike database such as 529 Garage, on cloud storage or email it to yourself.

If your bike is stolen, call 105 or report it at [105.police.govt.nz](https://www.police.govt.nz) for the best chance of getting it back.



To learn more tips for staying safe on the road and making the most of your bike, visit pedalready.org.nz