



## CATALYTIC CONVERTER THEFT ALERT

The Met Police have teamed up with Kwik Fit Garages to attempt to reduce catalytic converter thefts in the area. The Met Police have supplied a limited number of catalytic converter marking kits to Kwik Fit.

If you'd like one please phone the garage ahead of time as supplies are limited.

Kwik-Fit 12 Kingston Road, London, SW19 1JZ.

☎ Tel: 020 8542 0233

If you would like to speak to your local ward team then please contact:

**Wimbledon Park Neighbourhood Policing Team**

Tel: 0208 7212452

Email: [WimbledonPark@met.police.uk](mailto:WimbledonPark@met.police.uk)

### Crime Notifications

If you would like to be made aware of crimes in your road and the neighbouring roads, our team sends out road specific crime alerts, witness/CCTV appeals along with relevant crime prevention advice. This enables you to be aware and vigilant to the crime directly affecting their area. If you would like to receive these updates please email [WimbledonPark@met.police.uk](mailto:WimbledonPark@met.police.uk) requesting to receive notifications along with your Name, Address and Email.

We are patrolling your area and targeting offenders. To assist us please take note of the general advice on how to prevent vehicle crime

### Precious metals inside catalytic converters make them attractive to thieves. Make yours harder to steal:

- Contact your vehicle dealership about fitting an aftermarket product, approved by the vehicle manufacturer and tested to Sold Secure Gold, to prevent your converter being removed.
- Depending on the make and model, they can advise on the best way to secure it (a clamp or guard).
- Consider installing a Thatcham approved alarm that activates if your vehicle is lifted or tilted.

### Watch out for thieves:

- People carrying metal cutters, car jacks or metal from an exhaust pipe.
- People underneath cars which are jacked up.
- A vehicle parked nearby and sometimes in the middle of the road.
- Etching it with a serial number can help police track it and reduce opportunities for thieves to sell it.
- Consider installing CCTV or a video recording doorbell which records when motion is detected and allows live streaming to your phone whilst you're away.
- If you have CCTV of people committing crime, contact your local SNT or call 101.
- If you see a crime in progress always call 999 at the time it is happening.

### Neighbourhood Watch

If you would like to become a member of Village Neighbourhood Watch please use [www.mertonnhw.co.uk](http://www.mertonnhw.co.uk) and sign up for information.

### Reporting Crime

- CALL 999 - any Emergency requiring immediate Police assistance.
- CALL 101 - 24 hour Police Non-Emergency Contact Number.
- Report a crime / ASB online – <https://www.met.police.uk/>
- Tweet @MetCC
- Visit your local Police Station – Wimbledon Police station, 15-23 Queens Road, SW19 8NN.

Kind regards,

**Wimbledon Park Neighbourhood Policing Team**

PC Georgia Hall, PC Jamie Chand and PCSO Brett Fox

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