



## CCTV Tips

- When installing cameras, know what purpose you want them for.
- Consider having CCTV cameras both inside and outside your home or business.
- If you use CCTV you must clearly display a sign that CCTV cameras are operating.
- Make sure you know how to download the footage if required. Footage can be kept on your property or stored online (in the Cloud).
- Know how much storage your recorder or Cloud has – will footage from two weeks ago still be there?
- Know how to check your cameras. Are they still active?
- Check out the app or programme used with the cameras – is it easy to use and does it suit your needs?
- Cameras can be connected to the internet by cable or Wi-Fi.
- Consider the power source – plugged in, charged by USB or solar-powered.
- Lighting is very important for night footage – does your camera have Infrared?
- Don't direct cameras towards bright lights as it can cause target persons to become silhouetted.
- It is important to clean your cameras regularly.

### **FOR BUSINESSES:**

- Install a monitor and surveillance camera at the entrance so customers can see themselves in the monitor when they enter the business, this shows potential offenders the CCTV is active, and they have been recorded.
- Footage should be recorded and kept for 31 days, and easily downloadable.
- If possible, look for cameras that shoot and record in 4k resolution. 4k is also known as Ultra HD, or UHD.
- The frame rate should be at least eight frames per second (8 fps).