

Tank Security

Heating oil theft is a problem that has increased over the last few years, especially when the cost of oil rises. By following some of the hints & tips below you can reduce the risk of theft.

Thieves are attracted to oil tanks, especially as the cost of oil rises and groups now actively target domestic, agricultural and commercial tanks. By following these steps you can help protect the valuable commodity that is held within your tank.

Positioning of your tank can make life hard for would-be thieves, if you can position the tank by the house covered by security lights then thieves may think twice compared to a tank that is isolated or on a roadside.

Check your insurance policy covers fuel theft as well as any spillages that may occur due to damage caused to tanks. The cost of an environmental clean up can prove very expensive.



If you are worried about moving your tank or need more security advice then please contact OFTEC.

OFTEC offer advice to those who store oil on their premises as certain rules and regulations may apply. You can get more info by visiting www.oftec.org.uk or call them on 0845 6585080.

For more information on security or your local neighbourhood watch scheme then please contact your local police station.

Secure your oil tank by:

- Adding a padlock to the filler cap. Combination locks are great as you can pass the code to us so we can deliver when you are not at home.
- Tank level alarms can be bought which sound off when the level drops quickly. They are also useful for keeping an eye on the level of your tank.
- Join or start a neighbourhood watch scheme.
- Ensure your perimeter fence and gates are secure, disguise and hide your tank from view by growing defensive plants like Hawthorn or Holly bushes around your tank. (Please ensure you maintain easy access all around your tank for safe delivery and maintenance.)

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