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Transport Canada delays September 2004 Implementation

Better theft devices needed in cars: justice ministers
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MONCTON, NEW BRUNSWICK - Canada's justice ministers are demanding better anti-theft devices from car manufacturers. Provincial and federal officials are holding their annual meeting in Moncton. They're asking car makers to speed up their implementation of anti-theft immobilizers on new cars. Immobilizer technology uses microchips to shut down a vehicle when the proper key is not used in the ignition.

Transport Canada - earliest date for a cost-effective implementation is September 1, 2007 based on comments received following the Part 1 publication.

In February 2001, Edmonton hosted an Auto Theft Symposium with 110 attendees. One of the days, the attendees were assigned breakout sessions on how to reduce auto theft, fraud and odometer rollbacks in Alberta and Canada. A group of attendees volunteered their services to present to the Alberta Standing Committee, which took place June 2003.

From that group the Standing Committee selected five members and, along with representatives from Alberta Government, prepared a presentation for the Alberta Government in January 2004. The committee selected to move forward on 19 items. The Alberta Government has accepted the 19 items. Once accepted, the points can be discussed and committee make-up be determined. YES, we are making progress. Provincial Auto Theft Committee is planned to be in place in August / September 2004.



"Surrey's auto theft rate worst in English-speaking world"

Perception vs. Reality - Auto Crime in Surrey, B.C. 2003

Excerpt taken from "The Hidden Truth: Shattering the Myth of Auto Crime - A Public Forum Prepared for by the Surrey Auto Crime Strategies Team" 400 attended the Forum in February 2004.

Auto Crime is a serious problem that affects all sectors of society. Motor vehicle theft costs Canadians more than \$900 million per year. More than 10,000 cases a year end up in the Criminal Justice system at a cost of \$ 9,000.00 each. More than 2,000 people are injured as a result of auto theft and some collisions result in death.

Auto Thieves Myth versus Reality

Myth

- Juvenile offenders
- Not addicted
- Purpose of joyriding
- Rarely commits auto crime

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Reality

- 28 year-old adults
- Drug addict - Meth user
- Purpose of secondary crime.
- 14.7 prior convictions

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"Consumer Info"
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Surrey Study.**

"Bait-cars await thieves in 17 areas"

excerpt from The Vancouver Sun April 2004

"Surrey - branded the "car theft capital of North America" two years ago after RCMP compared its rate with those of high-theft U.S. cities - still has the largest number of auto thefts in the Lower Mainland."

For more information on Auto Theft in Canada, visit Autotheftcanada.com
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For a wealth of information on auto theft, visit the following reference sites:
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The National Committee to Reduce Auto Theft

Transport Canada (TC) recognizes auto theft as a public safety issue. We've learned the cost associated to auto theft for Canadians is in excess of \$1 billion per year, in addition to countless lives lost and catastrophic injuries sustained.

TC has agreed to regulate newly purchased vehicles to be equipped with electronic immobilizers. TC is proposing we require all vehicles be equipped with an immobilization system, at the choice of the manufacturer, meets one of the following standards:

- Underwriters' Laboratories of Canada Can/ULC-S338, "Standard for Automobile Theft Deterrent Equipment and Systems: Electronic Immobilization;"

or

- United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) Regulation No. 97, "Uniform Provisions Concerning Approval of Vehicle Alarms Systems (VAS) and of Motor Vehicles with Regard to Their Alarm Systems (AS)."

The Canadian Standard was established in Canada by the industry, to address Canada's auto theft issue. CAN/ULC S338 - 1998 incorporates an installation standard for aftermarket requirements (pre-owned vehicles). We believe CAN/ULC S338 is a more credible than ECE - 97 directive, we understand ECE 97 it is not readily accepted by the industry in Europe or other nations.

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Please forward any relevant information or for additional information contact Barry G. WARD - Executive Director National Committee to Reduce Auto Theft. Email: Ward@mpi.mb.ca; Fax (204) 985-1659 Bus. (204) 985-7478.

Midsummer Madness Hits Winnipeg

Approximately 20 late model Malibu's equipped with GM Passlock Immobilizers have recently been stolen and recovered.

The GM Passlock Immobilizer system meets the European Standard ECE-97 which permits the total immobilizer system to be part of the vehicle which allows it to be defeated (apparently very easily) whereas the Canadian Immobilizer Standard, which is CAN/ULC S338-98, specifies the integral part of the immobilizer system - the key is removed when the vehicle is locked. The European Standard is the one that Transport Canada wants to adopt, replacing the much more successful present standard.

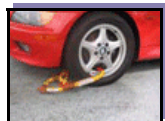
ATB - Anti-theft Boutique

The "Layered Approach" to Protection

"Professional thieves can steal any car, but make them work for yours. To prevent thefts, the National Insurance Crime Bureau (NICB) recommends "Layered Protection." The more layers of protection on your vehicle, the more difficult it is to steal. The number of layers your vehicle needs varies depending on your vehicle and geographic location. Your budget and personal preferences should determine which anti-theft device is best for you." For more information, visit Progressive.com The Club - available at most retailers.



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