

LOCK SNAPPING

Most doors in the UK can be broken into in 15 SECONDS

What is it all about?

The standard euro cylinder lock which secures the vast majority of homes in the UK and Ireland have a major weakness, this can allow a burglar to gain quick and quiet access within 15 seconds

This weakness has been known by Locksmiths, door manufacturers and the police for many years. A prominent locksmith went public in the newspapers in 2006, as did a West Yorkshire Police Inspector in 2009, due to the rising occurrence of burglars using this technique

“Lock Snapping” has become the preferred method of attack against many homes. Recent BBC and ITV reports have highlighted significant increases in this method. Police Crime statistics indicating it is used in over 30% of burglaries in some areas

How is this Possible?

The euro cylinder was designed to make it easy to change a lock in a multipoint door lock. Multipoint door locks became the standard with the rise of the double glazing market. Due to the design, a weak point exists at the fixing point of normal euro cylinders

The principle of “Lock Snapping” is simple - apply enough force to the cylinder and it will break at this weak point as shown in the picture to the right. Once broken the burglar has access to the internal workings of the multipoint lock and within a few seconds can open the door.

What should you do?

Protection against lock snapping is possible.

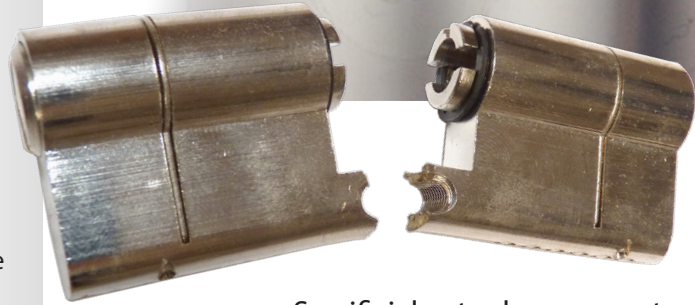
However there are many products on the market that whilst being sold as “anti snap” or “snap resistant” in reality they offer very little or no resistance against attack

For example, many locks that only have sacrificial cuts still break in the centre when force is applied

The Brisant cylinder range incorporates a unique steel bar offering far greater resistance

Incorrect selection of product and / or poor fitting can seriously compromise the security of your door, many kitemarked locks offer no protection against lock snapping

We can advise on the best type of lock for your individual situation and also advise you if security devices are needed in other vulnerable areas such as patio doors, etc.



Sacrificial cuts alone are not enough



Steel cores offer real resistance against attack



Frequently Asked Questions

Q. I paid £1000 for my new door and it has big hooks and bolts. Is it still secure?

A. It doesn't matter how many hooks or bolts your door has, final locking is still controlled by the euro cylinder. Most new door manufacturers still fit cheap euro cylinders that offer no protection against snapping. Did you know there is no legal requirement to fit a secure euro cylinder lock?



Q. My existing lock has a kitemark on it does this mean it's secure?

A. Having a kitemark does not guarantee security. The Kitemark does guarantee a product is made to a quality process but doesn't guarantee security against snapping. Some kitemarked product are snap resistant, again consult your locksmith for correct advice

Q. I have a lock with sacrificial cuts does this mean I am secure?

A. Many sacrificial cut cylinders offer no resistance because they still snap in the centre first or they are merely snapped a second time

It only takes 13 seconds to break in to a standard euro lock

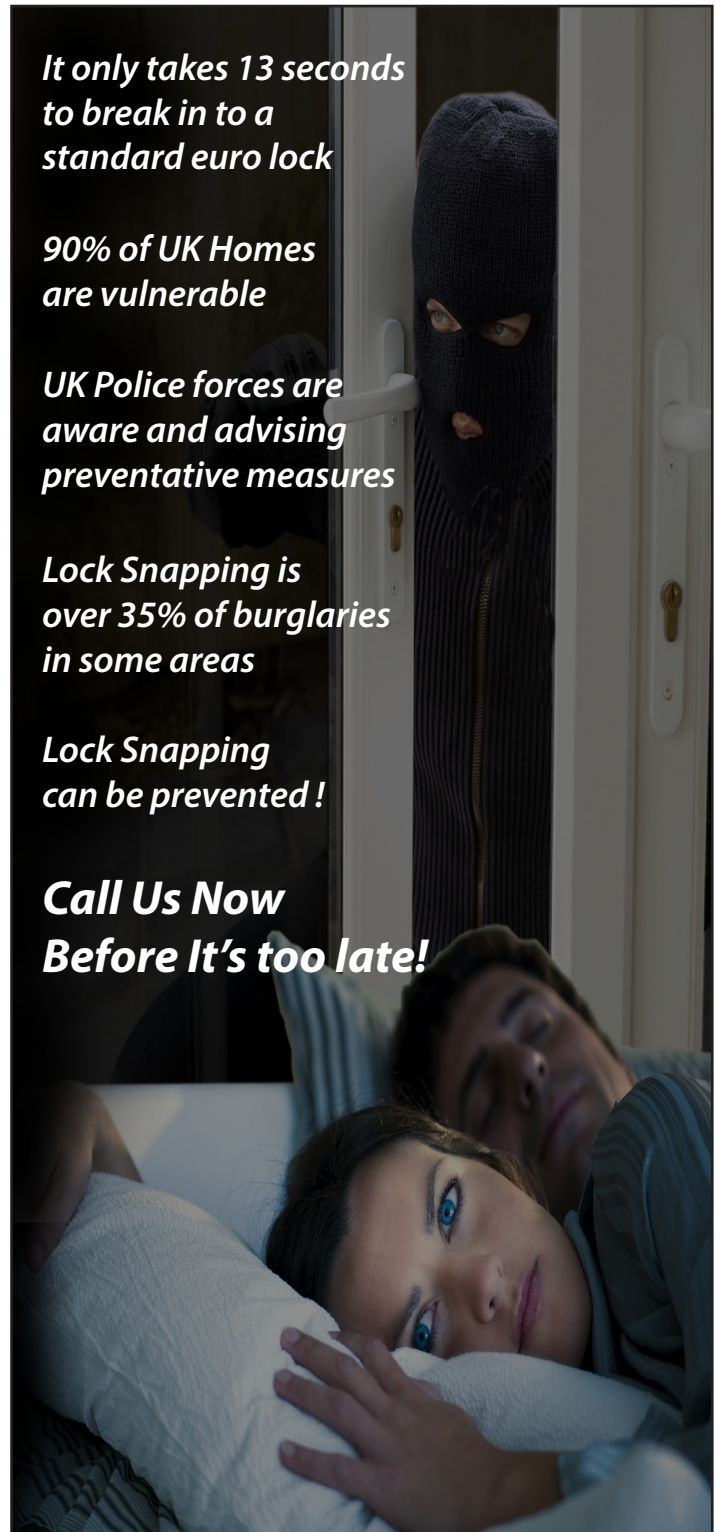
90% of UK Homes are vulnerable

UK Police forces are aware and advising preventative measures

Lock Snapping is over 35% of burglaries in some areas

Lock Snapping can be prevented!

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Brisant Lock Range

Brisant Lock Features

- Solid Steel Snap Resistant Core
- Anti Pick Mushroom Pins
- Anti Bump Pins
- Anti Drill pins
- Open and Restricted Key Profiles

Please consult your locksmith/installer to advise on the best Brisant Lock to apply in your particular installation



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