

VOLVO V70

SECURITY

Volvo is committed to protecting the car, its occupants, and their possessions. Every V70 is fitted as standard with a sophisticated alarm and immobiliser that can be switched on and off using the convenience of a remote control on the key fob. The combination of deadlocks and the availability of laminated and dark tinted side windows make the Volvo V70 more secure.

The remote control also operates the Approach lighting system, which illuminates the car and the surrounding area as the driver approaches. Likewise, a tweak of the headlight stalk activates the Home Safe system, switching on the headlamps for thirty seconds after the occupants have left the vehicle.

- Electronic immobiliser fitted as standard
- Alarm and deadlock system operated from remote control key fob
- Approach and Home Safe Lighting system fitted to every model
- Laminated and dark tinted side windows available (optional)

Volvo's passion for the safety of its owners also extends to issues of personal security. The Volvo V70 is fitted as standard with a wide range of features designed to protect occupants from burglary, theft and assault.

Volvo came out as overall 'Best Manufacturer' in the first 'British Insurance Car Security Awards' announced in July 2004. The BISCA aim is to raise consumer awareness of vehicle security and recognise manufacturers' efforts to make more secure cars. To be eligible for the awards, all cars had to pass strict selection criteria in line with the New Vehicle Security Ratings scheme (NVSR) developed by the Motor Insurance Repair Research Centre (Thatcham).

An electronic immobiliser makes it impossible to start the car without the right key, while the outer lock cylinder rotates, making it difficult to break in to. If the thief does manage to get in, via a window, for example, the deadlock system makes it impossible to open a door from the inside. The introduction of optional laminated side windows also makes it harder for thieves to gain access.

The deadlock system is activated by the remote control key fob, which allows the driver to open the car as they approach. This system can also be used to access the tailgate independently of the doors, which is a useful deterrent to opportunist thieves.

The same remote control system also switches on the alarm system, which is standard on every Volvo V70. The alarm is triggered if anyone attempts to open the doors, the bonnet or the boot lid. It also reacts to movement inside the car or if a window is broken. As an option, this system can be upgraded to include a level sensor that activates the alarm if the car is jacked up in any way.

For additional security, Volvo is one of very few car companies to offer the option of stronger, laminated windows plus dark tinted rear windows to protect the car's interior contents and aid personal security.

An important contribution to personal security is provided by the Approach and Home Safe lighting system. By pressing a button on the remote controller as they approach the car, the driver is able to turn on the inside lights, the side marker lights and the lights in the rear-view mirrors. On leaving the car, a tweak of the headlight stalk activates the dipped beam headlamps for 30 seconds, lighting a path to the door. It's a simple system that offers considerable peace of mind.