

SECURITY

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- **Security system developed in conjunction with Thatcham.**
- **Deadlock system operated from remote control key fob.**
- **'Approach' and 'Home Safe' lighting system fitted to every model.**
- **Laminated windows available.**
- **Volvo On Call.**

Volvo is committed to protecting the car, its occupants, and their possessions, and it has won overall 'Best Manufacturer' in the annual British Insurance Car Security Awards (BISCA) two years running (2004 and 2005).

The Volvo V50's security systems were developed in association with the security experts Thatcham, and every model is fitted with a sophisticated electronic immobiliser and deadlocks as standard.

Uniquely identified control modules and electronic "anti-theft" marking offers further protection, and the audio system is an integral part of the on-board electrical system.

The V50 also offers Volvo's Approach lighting system, which illuminates the car and the surrounding area as the driver approaches. Likewise, a tweak of the headlight stalk activates the Follow-Me-Home function, which switches on the headlamps for up to 90 seconds after the occupants have left the vehicle.

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Volvo's holistic approach to vehicle design also extends to the field of personal security, and it has won overall 'Best Manufacturer' in the annual British Insurance Car Security Awards (BISCA) two years running (2004 and 2005).

The Volvo V50 Sportswagon was engineered in cooperation with Thatcham, the world leading automotive and technology centre, and the car is fitted as standard with a wide range of features designed to protect occupants from burglary, theft and assault.

An electronic immobiliser makes it impossible to start the car without the correct key. If a 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 Volvo V50 is also equipped with electronic "anti-theft" marking and uniquely identified control modules, while the audio equipment is an integral part of the on-board electrical system. As an option, laminated side windows may be specified, which are extremely difficult to smash. This is an unusual feature on a car in this segment.

The sophisticated locking system of the V50 Sportswagon can be individually tailored across a wide range of settings via a menu system on the centre stack. For example, the remote control can be set so that a single 'plip' opens all the doors, or just the driver's, and the indicators can be set to flash when the doors are locked or unlocked. It is also possible to set the doors to lock automatically when the car pulls away and to open and close the windows with the remote control.

Another important contribution to personal security is provided by the Approach and Follow-Me-home lighting system. By pressing a button on the remote control when approaching 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, lighting a path to the door. The headlamps can be set by the driver to stay on for 30, 60 or 90 seconds.

Volvo On Call

Volvo On Call is a new telematics system - is another valuable personal security feature using advanced Telematics. The system uses an integrated GSM telephone with a built-in GPS unit for satellite positioning, and ensures help is always close at hand.

Volvo On Call comes with a standard safety package. If an airbag or seatbelt pre-tensioner is triggered in the event of an accident, Volvo On Call automatically calls the Emergency Services via BT999 and can also provide data of your location. Alternatively, pressing the red 'SOS' button on the integrated GSM telephone will put you straight through to the Emergency Services.

Also, if the car breaks down or you need help, pressing the Volvo On Call button will put you straight through to a Volvo On Call operator who is only a call away at any time of day to offer personal services such as route guidance, or to guide roadside assistance to you.

The optional Volvo On Call security package offers the added benefits of a remote door unlock facility if the keys are locked in the car or lost, notification if the alarm is activated and vehicle tracking if it is stolen.

These simple but effective security features combine to offer considerable peace of mind and contribute to the comfort and convenience of owning a Volvo V50 Sportswagon.