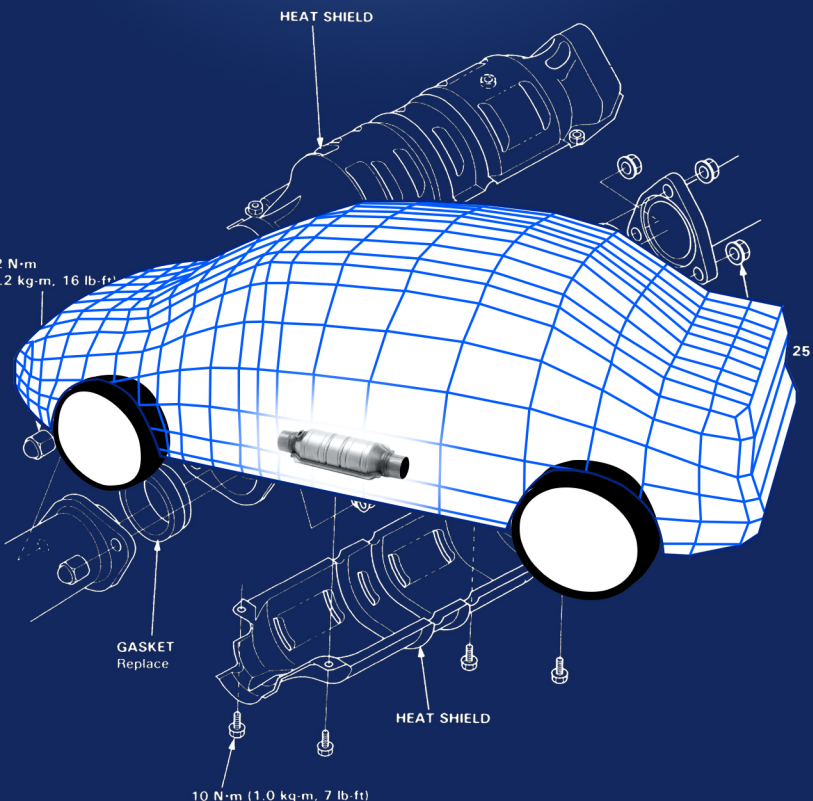


Metal Theft PREVENTION



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Metal theft increases when the value of metal increases.

How to Protect Your Vehicle:

- Park your vehicle in a secure garage, when possible.
- Park in well lit areas where your vehicle is easily visible.
- Ask your mechanic to engrave your license plate number on your catalytic converter.
- Consider having your catalytic converter welded if its currently a "bolt on" model.
- Install a catalytic converter protection device that clamps around the converter.

How to Protect Businesses:

- Use cages with anti-theft enclosures to secure back-flow devices and air conditioning units.
- Paint metal valves using truck bed liner spray.
- Replace metal parts with plastic when possible.
- Engrave your property with an identifier. Secure lighting and electrical boxes with locking lids.
- Avoid leaving out tools that could be stolen.
- Take proper security measures, such as fences and video surveillance at construction sites.

Secure recyclable materials.

Always report suspicious behaviors and crimes