

News story: Vehicle hire companies to reduce terrorism risk



[The Rental Vehicle Security Scheme](#) (RVSS) is voluntary and is open to all UK hire firms who offer long and short-term rentals to consumers.

RVSS requires participating companies to meet a set of requirements included in a 10-point Code of Practice, which includes a commitment to:

- Lawfully share data and information with law enforcement
- Train staff to identify and report suspicious behaviour
- Appoint a recognised security contact
- Only accept electronic payment for all or part of the transaction

Counter Terrorism Policing, National Coordinator for Protective Security, Chief Superintendent Nick Aldworth said:

The police work closely with Government, local authorities and businesses to look for new and innovative new ways to keep people safe. Officers from the Counter Terrorism Policing network have been working with industry and Government to support the development of a security culture within the vehicle hire industry.

The introduction of the scheme shows a real commitment by industry to increase the levels of security awareness, promote the reporting of suspicious behaviours, enhance security checks and encourage support for law enforcement activity against crime and terrorism across the industry. This can only be a positive thing when helping keep people safe.

Companies are encouraged to [apply and sign up to the scheme](#).

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