

Tips for keeping Home Heating Oil Safe

You can Screen your tank with Fencing or Hedges – however, there is equally an argument for keeping tanks in view to allow for surveillance.

Restrict access to your driveway with a secured gate.

Cover any external pipe work/fuel lines from the House to the tank

Install a Motion Sensor or Dawn to Dusk security lighting

Alarms that are set off by undue vibration can be purchased.

Install lockable caps with crop proof padlocks/fittings.

Consider installing CCTV with suitable lighting.

Regularly check your fuel levels so you can easily spot if the level quickly drops- Consider installing a sensor that is monitored from inside, such as:

<http://www.boilerjuice.com/shop/index.php?c=0>

Check your oil is covered under your household contents insurance.

Join a Neighbourhood Watch scheme & keep an eye out — telephone

999 **immediately** if you see anything suspicious. Note vehicle

Registration Numbers and descriptions of suspicious persons.

For further advice ring Suffolk Constabulary MAIN switchboard number 01473 613500 & ask for the Crime Reduction Officer for your area, further help on Crime Reduction can be found by logging on to Suffolk Constabulary Web page which is—

<http://www.suffolk.police.uk/Crime+Reduction/> and also

<http://www.crimereduction.homeoffice.gov.uk/>

Please note because some storage containers are metal and some are plastic - any security measures that directly affect the Tank or Pipe work should be done in consultation with your Heating Oil supplier

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