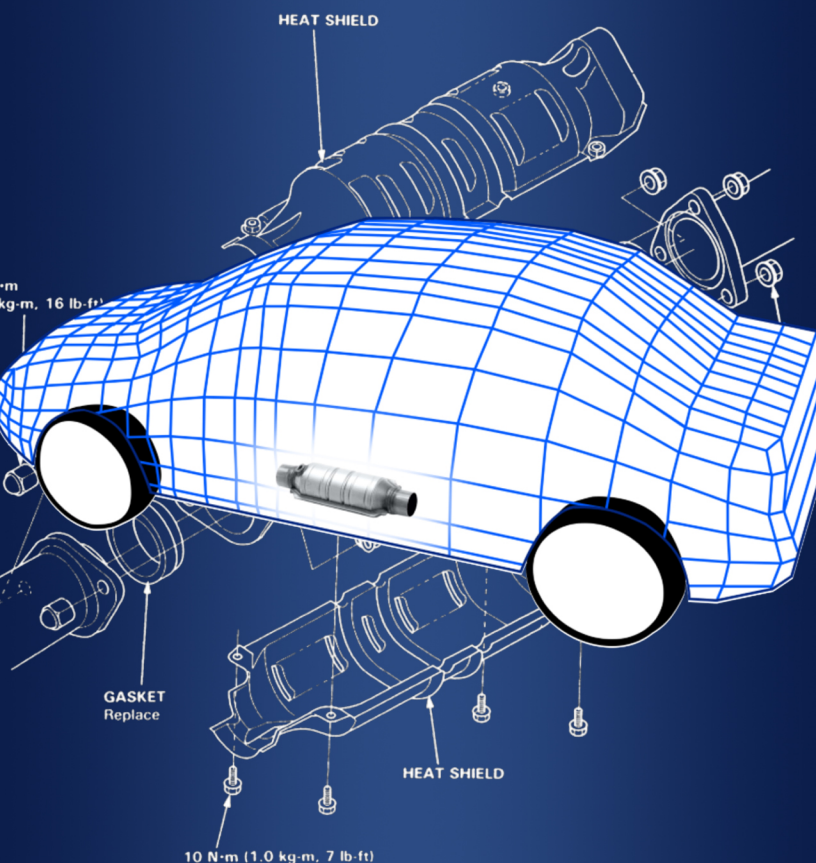


Metal Theft Prevention



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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 Your Business

- ★ Use cages with anti-theft enclosures to secure backflow 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

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