

# PHONE SNATCHERS ARE WATCHING

Phone snatchers are actively targeting pedestrians across London, often using bikes or mopeds to strike quickly. They rely on distraction and speed to grab phones from unsuspecting victims. Don't make it easy for them—stay alert and follow these simple steps to protect your device. Stay aware. Stay smart. Stay safe.



### **STAY ALERT**

Be aware of your surroundings Avoid using your phone in public places where thieves may be operating.



### **SECURE YOUR PHONE**

Record your IMEI number and lock your device. Dial \*#06# to find your phone's unique IMEI number



## **THINK FAST**

Keep phone usage brief. If you must use your phone on the street, make it quick and avoid texting while walking



### **AVOID RISKS**

Don't store bank cards with your phone. Keeping cards with your phone can lead to extra financial loss



### **ACTIVATE SECURITY**

Use strong passwords or a PIN and enable tracking apps



# **FASTEN GRIP**

Hold your phone securely and avoid open display



# **YOUR DATA MATTERS**

Turn off message previews to prevent theives from seeing sensitive information and back up your phone



# **ESCAPE THEFTS**

Stay cautious in theft-prone areas especially at peak times