

Theft of cellphones - IMEI number

Cellphones are the most frequently stolen items in the commission of crimes, viz: pickpocketing, street robbery, theft out of MV, theft off trolleys / restaurant tables etc.

In order to open a case at SAPS for the theft of a cellphone, your phone's IMEI number is required. Unfortunately many complainants are turned away at the police station if they do not have their IMEI number available.

The IMEI number can be found on your cellphone box, or navigate to "settings" and tap "about phone".

Please ensure that you record your IMEI number and keep it in a safe space or send to a family member or friend, so it is readily accessible in the event of your phone being stolen.