



Thinking of purchasing a new car? Follow these tips to protect yourself



1 • Research

Before you buy a new or used car, do some research to determine which car is right for you and what you can afford.



2 • Check safety rating

Check the vehicle's [safety rating](#).



3 • Dealers licence search

[Search](#) for a licensed car dealer.



4 • Motor vehicle search

Conduct a quick [Personal Property Securities Register \(PPSR\)](#) search. A PPSR search checks for financial interests, written off records and stolen vehicles.



5 • Report unlicensed dealers

Report unlicensed motor vehicle dealing in the community to consumer@dmirs.wa.gov.au or 1300 304 054.

**For more information on buying a car, visit our website to read the
'Buying a car: a buyer's checklist' publication.
www.commerce.wa.gov.au/publications/buying-car-buyers-checklist**