

Burnie Security Report

Local security guide - Burnie TAS 7320 - North West Tasmania, Burnie City Council

About Burnie

Burnie is about 325 km north-west of Hobart.

Burnie is a port city on Emu Bay on Tasmania's north-west coast, with the North West Regional Hospital, the University of Tasmania's Cradle Coast campus, the Makers' Workshop and a deep-water port serving mining and forestry. Tasmania Police recorded 2,091 offences in the Burnie police division in 2025-26, down from 2,221 the year before. Property offences (1,358) made up most of the total, including 353 property damage offences, 81 motor vehicle burglaries and 52 home burglaries, and there were 607 offences against the person.

Housing and local context

Housing stock: Post-war weatherboard and brick homes on the hillsides, 1970s and 1980s brick houses, and units near the city centre.

Burnie is built on hills rising from Emu Bay, and many post-war weatherboard and brick homes sit on steep blocks where back doors, windows and yards can't be seen from the street. Units and flats are clustered near the city centre and the waterfront. Port, mining and forestry businesses need yard security, and coastal weather means outdoor cameras and lights should be rated for salt air.

Common security concerns in Burnie

- Property damage
- Back doors and yards hidden on steep blocks
- Yards and businesses near the port

Local tip: Lighting and cameras to deter damage

Property damage was one of the largest offence groups in the Burnie division last year, with 353 offences. Good lighting at the front and along the side of the house, a solid fence with a lockable gate, and a camera covering the driveway and the street make damage harder to do unseen and help identify who did it. Report every incident, even minor ones.

Security providers servicing Burnie

Coverall Security - Security Guards & Patrols

Licence 11702 | (03) 6278 3255 | <https://www.coverallsecurity.com.au/>

Electripol - CCTV & Camera Installation

Licence not published | 0418 182 724 | <https://electripol.com/>

MBK Security Group - Security Guards & Patrols

Licence 409648996 | ABN 66 128 196 332 | 1300 023 333 | <https://mbksecuritygroup.com.au/>

OzSpy Security - CCTV & Camera Installation

Licence not published | 07 3806 4891 | <https://www.ozspysecurity.com.au/>

Tas Key Locksmiths - Locksmiths

Licence not published | 0422 057 294 | <https://www.taskeyexperts.com.au/>

TMR Systems - Alarm Systems & Monitoring

Licence not published | 1300 867 797 | <https://www.tmrsystems.com.au/>

Before you hire: checklist

- Look up the licence number on the relevant state regulator register and confirm it is current.
- Check the ABN on the Australian Business Register (abr.business.gov.au).
- Hardwired 240V work needs a licensed electrician; in-wall data cabling needs an ACMA-registered cabler.
- For guards and patrols, confirm both the firm licence and each attending officer's licence.
- Get at least three written quotes listing camera models, recorder storage and warranty.
- Aim cameras at your own property and consider disabling audio on cameras facing shared areas.