

# HELP US STOP THEM NOW



The Scottish Police Service, power suppliers and other key partners are working together to crack down on residential cannabis factories. We need your help to identify and eradicate these facilities. Criminals are putting lives at risk by operating in residential areas. Homes and families are under threat due to an increased fire risk associated with this illegal activity. So please be vigilant and look out for the following tell tale signs.

Some of these factors combined may indicate that there is a cannabis factory on the premises. If you believe there is such a factory in your area please call CrimeStoppers Scotland on 0800 555 111 or your local police station:

- ◆ The windows of the property are permanently covered from the inside
- ◆ Visits to the premises occur at unusual times of the day or night
- ◆ People often do not live in the premises and only visit to maintain them
- ◆ The offenders may call daily or weekly but usually do not stay long
- ◆ The cannabis or by-products such as used fertiliser will be removed in black bin bags or laundry bags
- ◆ Compost bags or gardening equipment may be left outside, usually in the rear of the premises
- ◆ There may be a vent protruding through the roof or a rear window
- ◆ There may be a pungent smell coming from the premises
- ◆ There may be noise coming from equipment on the premises (e.g. cooling fans)

Remember - if you suspect anything do not approach yourself. Please call CrimeStoppers Scotland on 0800 555 111 or your local police station.

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