

System Security - It's Physical Too!

Firewalls, hard drive and file encryption, wireless security protocols, authentication, data wiping, anti-SPAM and spyware/malware software - with all of the available products (and complexity!) it's sometimes easy to lose site of one of the most simple steps you can take to secure your system. Secure it physically!

What do we mean? Whether you own a desktop or a laptop, devices are available to make it harder for potential "bad guys" to "relieve" you of your system when you're at home, but even more importantly, when you're on the road. These devices are VERY inexpensive (ranging in price from \$7.50 for a simple steel anchor for a cable lock to \$50.00 for a motion sensing alarm and cable lock for you notebook.

We've listed a number of simple physical security devices available from three vendors - [Belkin](#), [CODi](#) and [Targus](#) (you can find these and many others on the web or at your local computer/electronics/office supply retailer). You can spend \$35.00 now for a key cable and lock, or risk losing your notebook and its valuable information (thousands of \$\$'s in equipment, lost time and lost data) later.

Manufacturer	Product	Price	Description
Belkin	Notebook Security Lock	\$14.99	Pivot clamp attaches to security slot on notebook docking station or flat-screen monitor. Six-foot aircraft-grade steel cable, padlock, two keys and nylon carrying bag included.
Belkin	Bulldog Security Kit	\$27.99	Includes high-tension steel anchoring plate and aircraft-quality steel cable along with heavy-duty lock and super-strength adhesive. Product is backed by \$500.00 Anti-Theft warranty. Also includes glow-in-the-dark label to warn off intruders.
CODi	Anchor Ring	\$10.00	Steel cable and matching base, covered in PVC, Can be attached to computers, monitors and printers and is large enough to pass through up to 12 cable locks. Includes Anchor Ring, Alcohol Pad, Tube of Superglue.

CODi	Combination Cable Lock	\$35.00	Triple digit design, hardened steel lock with 900 possible combination codes. Titanium colored coating protects 6.5 foot, 5mm thick, galvanized steel cable. Includes stamped 304 steel washer to secure desktop chassis.
CODi	Flex-Head	\$32.00	Flex-Heads can be slid over cable locks to add devices without the need to purchase new cable locks. Includes Flex-Head lock, two keys and spacer.
CODi	Master Key Cable Lock	\$35.00	Push button lock design, titanium colored coating protects 6.5 foot, 5mm thick galvanized steel cable. Includes 304 stainless steel washer for securing desktop chassis. Includes cable lock with 2 keys, Velcro travel wrap.
CODi	Monitor Combination Lock	\$22.00	Lock and cable wrap around base of monitor. Includes triple digit combination lock and 6.5 foot galvanized, 5mm thick, steel cable.
CODi	Plus 2 Security Kit	\$67.00	Combines Key Cable Lock and Flex-Head Lock. Steel pin construction and push-button design. Slide the Flex-Head lock over the key cable loc and secure any two devices.
CODi	Stamped Steel Anchor	\$7.50	Manufactured of stamped and welded steel. Can be used as permanent base for cable locks. Comes with two 3/4" screws

			and matching steel vanity plate.
Targus	DEFCON CL Notebook Computer Cable Lock	\$34.99	Attaches to any computer with a lock slot, includes 6.5 foot galvanized steel cable, 0.16" diameter cable, 10,000 user settable setting combination lock and security base plate.
Targus	DEFCON 1 Ultra Notebook Computer Security System	\$49.99	Includes four-digit combination lock with up to 10,000 combinations, high decibel alarm that is triggered if cable is severed or motion sensor activated, retractable steel cable that is stored in plastic housing at press of button, LED for alarm status indication. Battery life 5 months. Alarm sounds for 40 seconds then resets.

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