



## Question: What are 5 easy ways to save time on your next CCTV job?

**Answer:** Being prepared, having the right tools and factoring in handover time can be timesaving. Check out our 5 timesaving tips and see if you can shave valuable minutes off your working day.

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In the winter months, it pays to be organised and make sure you get your jobs completed by the early afternoon before daylight is lost. No-one likes to be stuck up a ladder wearing a head torch and worrying if the local neighbours think you're the burglar.

### 1. Be Prepared

It's well worth making sure you have all the kit for the job well in advanced as well as a few extras for unforeseen site circumstances. It's useful to have these handy extras with you so you don't need to visit site twice and erode your profit margins and just in case the customer changes their requirements. Recommended: Humbloc Groundloop Isolator to prevent humbars (CON701), Video Distributors (4 in-8 out DIST0408), HDMI Splitter (1 in-2 out HDM302) to pipe the CCTV around a property, an LCD Bracket (LCD182), a Microphone to add audio to a CCTV image (CCT619) plus plenty of spare BNCs like the fastfit 2pc ones (CON460).



Groundloop Isolator: Product Code: **CON701**

### 2. Get the right tools for the job

Good quality test monitors such as the CCTVmate range are worth their weight in gold (especially at prices from just £59+VAT). Designed to test analogue, HD, IP or even all 3 technologies, they can test more than just a CCTV image too using various test meters for voltage, PTZ and even networks. Functions vary depending on the model selected.



CCTV Test Monitors  
Product Code:  
**LCD390 & LCD343**

### 3. Don't cut corners

In a competitive market, everyone is looking to reduce costs so as to make more profit but be careful not to cut corners as this has a tendency to backfire. A great example is cable where it pays to go for quality over price. A poor quality CCS or CCA co-ax cable may save you a tenner on a job but it could cost you a day's pay in lost hours troubleshooting poor or no video signal, interference on images and you will probably need to redo your cables runs if you can't solve the site issues.

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## 4. Use time saving kit

The latest range of anti-hum Rack-mount Power Supplies have multiple ports for easy camera wiring and a LED display giving you a live reading of both load and voltage. Great for troubleshooting whilst on the job.



Rack Mount PSU

Product Code:

**POW570**

## 5. Factor in commissioning & handover time

Finally don't forget to allow yourself time at the end of the day to talk through the system with your customer. 10 minutes upfront can save hours of travelling time after the installation and is especially worth it if you have offered a free 12 month service contract. Handy resources such as Quick Set-Up Guides & Warranty Forms are available on our "end-user" websites to help make this a smooth journey.

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