

Tops for secure location

AS THE BUSY Christmas season gets underway and hours of darkness continue to increase, a new personal security service is set to bring improved peace of mind to Irish people. Called TopLocate, the service extends the function of a phone as a security device providing a panic alarm feature and a location tracking capability, both of which can be used in the event of an emergency.

Using a combination of mobile, landline and web technology, TopLocate caters for three different scenarios - where people don't show up, are under threat, or where something is seriously wrong. It is easy to set up, requires no technical expertise and can be activated in any situation and any location.

One aspect of the service - the panic alarm can be triggered by discreetly pushing just one button on a mobile phone. An alert then goes

to the subscriber's chosen contacts who can then listen to the situation through a recording and even track their exact position.

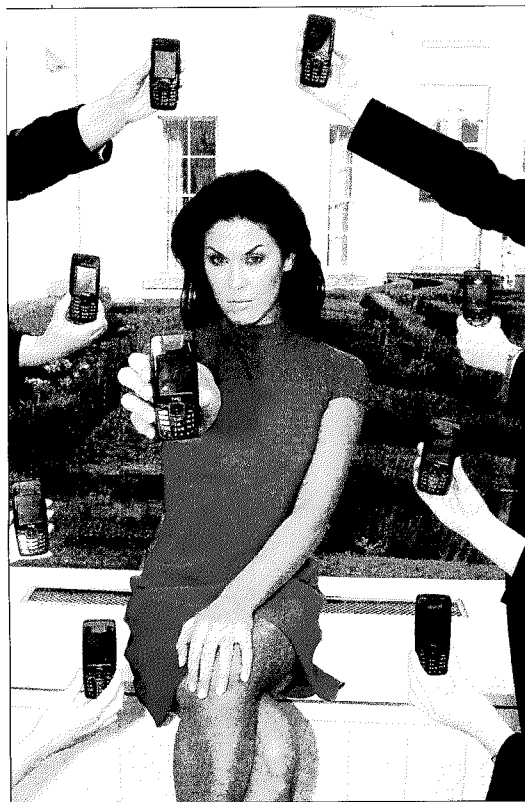
Relevant to business users, the two services provided for through TopLocate each use a variation of phone technology, e-mail and GPS tracking and mapping software. They are as follows: TopLocate Mobile SOS is available as an add-on to your existing mobile phone and increases its function as a panic and time-based alarm. The latter feature allows two pre-designated people to be alerted if the mobile user does not arrive at a destination at an agreed time. Additionally, the panic alarm can be activated by pushing an assigned button on

the phone which allows users to discreetly raise an alarm if confronted with a threatening situation. The situation is also recorded for contacts to listen in to and determine what steps to take. The service works across all networks and on all mobile phones.

TopLocate Mobile Tracker enables a GPS mobile phone to be used as a panic alarm, tracking and navigation device. As with Mobile SOS a button can be used as a panic alarm and an alert can

be issued to two designated people to inform them of the user's plight. Additionally, the location of the phone can be accurately pinpointed on the TopLocate web based mapping service.

Services range in cost from €50 to €195 per annum and more information can be found on the Top Security website.
www.topsecurity.ie



Top model Glenda Gilson tries out TopLocate