

Home Security Survey

Burglary and theft are crimes of opportunity. A door that is easy to open, a dark house, or an open window or garage door, are seen as opportunities by criminals. By thinking safety/security first, and taking some simple steps to secure your home, you can reduce these opportunities. In doing so, you reduce the risk they present to your family and property. Upon completion of this survey you will have made a detailed check list of your security needs.

Begin the survey by going to the end of your block and then walking toward your home. Keep in mind that the criminal is looking for an opportunity to commit a crime, to take some of your property or get into your home. Do you have tools, bikes, or other items sitting out? Is your garage door open? How about your windows and doors? Is the gate to your backyard closed/locked? Look at your neighbor's property, do you provide more opportunities to criminals than your neighbor. Does it look like you take good care of your property or will the criminal think you may be an easy target.

Survey Instructions:

When completing the security survey, follow the listed order when possible. Keep in mind that there are a multitude of home floor plans and each home will be different. The listed items correspond with the "OK" and "NI" (needs improvement). If an item isn't included in the survey write it in. When the survey is completed use the items circled "NI" as a to-do list.

Front Yard

OK	NI	Street numbers easily visible from the street.
OK	NI	Bushes, shrubs, and trees must be pruned away from sidewalks, driveways, doors, windows, and gates.
OK	NI	Ground cover should be small gauge granite rock that makes noise as you walk on it. River rock is not recommended.
OK	NI	Limited or direct access to yard.
OK	NI	Locks on Gates, where applicable.
OK	NI	Lighting covers the entire front of the house and all hiding places.

Side Yards

OK	NI	Lighting adequately covers each entrance.
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OK	NI	Bushes, shrubs, and trees are pruned etc.
OK	NI	Fence Gate is secure.

Back Yard

OK	NI	Lighting adequately covers each entrance.
OK	NI	Bushes, Shrubs and trees are pruned etc.
OK	NI	Fence and gate is secure.

Detached Buildings

(Garages, storage sheds, barns etc.)

OK	NI	Locks on all doors
OK	NI	Locks on all windows
OK	NI	Lighting on all entrances

Garage Door

OK	NI	Keep garage door closed when not in use
OK	NI	Garage door operating properly
OK	NI	Garage has an internal lock Side door to garage
OK	NI	Door construction (solid core) (Metal clad)
OK	NI	Dead bolt with minimum 1" throw
OK	NI	Security strike plates
OK	NI	Door jams secure
OK	NI	Molding tight and secure
OK	NI	Hinges (pins on inside or otherwise secured)
OK	NI	Window (not recommended)

Living Room

Front Door Entrance:

OK	NI	Door Construction ()Solid core (hardwood 1 3/4" thickness
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()Metal clad

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| OK | NI | Dead bolt lock with minimum 1" throw |
| OK | NI | Security strike plate |
| OK | NI | With a minimum of 4 screws-each 2 1/2" long |
| OK | NI | Door frame secure |
| OK | NI | Molding tight and secure |
| OK | NI | Hinges (pins on inside or otherwise secure) |
| OK | NI | Wide angle viewer, should be 190 degrees or better. |

Double doors, all rooms all types

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| OK | NI | Stationary door secured with metal flush bolts having a minimum embedment of 5/8" into the head and threshold |
| | | of the door frame. Double doors shall also have an astragal (strong metallic cover slip) closing the space between double doors. |

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| OK | NI | High security (wrought iron) screen door |
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| OK | NI | Recommended for all exterior doors. |
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Windows: ()Slider ()Double Hung ()Crank ()Louver

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| OK | NI | Original lock in good repair |
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| OK | NI | Auxiliary lock in place |
| | | ()Pin lock |
| | | ()Keyed lock (recommended) |

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| OK | NI | Anti-lift devise (Screws in track above slider to prevent lift out.) |
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Glazing materials

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| OK | NI | Applies to windows throughout residence |
| | | ()Normal window glass |
| | | ()tempered glass |
| | | ()Plastic |
| | | ()Lexan (Burglary resistant) |

Kitchen / Utility Room

Sliding Glass Door

OK	NI	Original lock in good repair
OK	NI	Anti-slide device ()Keyed dead bolt ()Charlie Bar ()Wood dowel
OK	NI	Anti-lift device (Screws in track above slider to prevent lift out.)

Hinged Door

OK	NI	Door construction ()Solid core ()Metal clad
OK	NI	Dead bolt lock with a minimum 1" throw
OK	NI	Security strike plate
OK	NI	Door frame secure
OK	NI	Hinges (pins on inside or otherwise secured)
OK	NI	Wide angle viewer, should be 190 degrees or better.

Double Doors, all rooms all types

OK	NI	See description listed above, applies to all types of double doors.
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Windows:

		()Slider ()Double Hung ()Crank ()Louver
OK	NI	Original lock in good repair
OK	NI	Auxiliary lock in place ()Pin lock ()Keyed lock (recommended)
OK	NI	Anti-lift devise (Screws in track above slider to prevent lift out.)

Bedrooms/Den

(Make copies of this section for the bedrooms/den and other rooms)

Sliding Glass Door

OK	NI	Original lock in good repair
OK	NI	Anti-slide device <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ()Keyed dead bolt ()Charlie Bar ()Wood dowel
OK	NI	Anti-lift device (Screws in track above slider to prevent lift out.)
Hinged Door		
OK	NI	Door construction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ()Solid core ()Metal clad
OK	NI	Dead bolt lock with a minimum 1" throw
OK	NI	Security strike plate
OK	NI	Door frame secure
OK	NI	Hinges (pins on inside or otherwise secured)
OK	NI	Wide angle door viewer, should be 190 degrees or better.

Double Door

OK	NI	See description listed above, applies to all types of double doors.
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Windows:

		()Slider	()Double Hung	()Crank	()Louver
OK	NI	Original lock in good repair			
OK	NI	Auxiliary lock in place <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ()Pin lock ()Keyed lock 			
(recommended)					
OK	NI	Anti-lift devise	(Screws in track above slider to prevent lift out.)		

Bathrooms

Sliding Glass Door

OK	NI	Original lock in good repair
OK	NI	Anti-slide device <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ()Keyed dead bolt

		()Charlie Bar ()Wood dowel
OK	NI	Anti-lift device (Screws in track above slider to prevent lift out.)
Hinged Door		
OK	NI	Door construction ()Solid core ()Metal clad
OK	NI	Dead bolt lock with a minimum 1" throw
OK	NI	Security strike plate
OK	NI	Door frame secure
OK	NI	Hinges (pins on inside or otherwise secured)
OK	NI	Wide angle viewer, should be 190 degrees or better.
Windows:		
		()Slider ()Double Hung ()Crank ()Louver
OK	NI	Original lock in good repair
OK	NI	Auxiliary lock in place ()Pin lock ()Keyed lock
(recommended)		
OK	NI	Anti-lift devise (Screws in track above slider to prevent lift out.)

Other/Miscellaneous

OK	NI	Automatic timers for lights and radios
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Burglary Alarm Systems

OK	NI	()Monitored (Recommended) ()Locally (Recommended) ()Out of state ()Not monitored
		*Audible Alarms are preferable

OK	NI	Emergency numbers by each phone
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OK	NI	Grillwork/roller shields on high risk doors and windows
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Operation Identification (Click [here](#) for more information)

OK	NI	()Valuables marked with Drivers License Number? ()Inventory completed?
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OK NI

Safe for valuables

Key control

OK NI
lost or stolen.

Keep track of existing keys. Have house re-keyed if they are

OK NI