

## 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.   |

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## Side Yards

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| 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.

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## 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.

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## 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)

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## Living Room

### Front Door Entrance:

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

- 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.
- OK NI High security (wrought iron) screen door  
 Recommended for all exterior doors.

**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.)

**Glazing materials**

- OK NI Applies to windows throughout residence  
 Normal window glass

- tempered glass
  - Plastic
  - Lexan (Burglary resistant)
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## 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.

### 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.)
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## Bedrooms/Den (Make copies of this section for the bedrooms/den and

other rooms)

### Sliding Glass Door

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|----|----|--|
| OK | NI | Original lock in good repair   |
| OK | NI | Anti-slide device<br><input type="checkbox"/> Keyed dead bolt<br><input type="checkbox"/> Charlie Bar<br><input type="checkbox"/> Wood dowel |
| OK | NI | Anti-lift device (Screws in track above slider to prevent lift out.)   |

### Hinged Door

- |    |    |   |
|----|----|---|
| OK | NI | Door construction<br><input type="checkbox"/> Solid core<br><input type="checkbox"/> 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

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|----|--|----|---|
| 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<br><input type="checkbox"/> Pin lock<br><input type="checkbox"/> Keyed lock (recommended) |
| OK | NI | Anti-lift devise (Screws in track above   |

slider to prevent lift out.)

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## Bathrooms

### Sliding Glass Door

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

### Hinged Door

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|----|----|---|
| OK | NI | Door construction<br>( )Solid core<br>( )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:

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|----|----|---|
| OK | NI | ( )Slider ( )Double Hung ( )Crank ( )Louver<br>Original lock in good repair |
| OK | NI | Auxiliary lock in place<br>( )Pin lock<br>( )Keyed lock (recommended)       |
| OK | NI | Anti-lift devise (Screws in track above slider to prevent lift out.)        |
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## Other/Miscellaneous

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| 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

OK NI Grillwork/roller shields on high risk doors and windows

**Operation Identification**

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

OK NI Safe for valuables

**Key control**

OK NI Keep track of existing keys. Have house re-keyed if they are lost or stolen.

OK NI Joined or started a Neighborhood Watch?

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**Note:** There are no guarantees, expressed or implied, that this inspection will make your residence BURGLARY-PROOF, or that the recommendations will prevent any type of crime against property or persons within your residence.