



RESIDENTIAL SECURITY SURVEY

This survey is designed to be a do-it-yourself security assessment of your home. While no home is absolutely burglar-proof, you can discourage burglars by beefing up your home and neighborhood security.

Yes	No	Fix	NEIGHBORHOOD
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you know and communicate with the neighbors living on all sides of you?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is there an active Neighborhood Watch program in your community?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you belong to the Neighborhood Watch Program?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do your neighbors watch your home when you are away?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are the common areas such as sidewalks, mailboxes, and courtyards adjacent to your home well lit?
Yes	No	Fix	EXTERIOR OF YOUR HOME
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are your house numbers large enough to be seen (4 to 6 inches) and visible from the street?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are shrubs, bushes, and other plant growth within 4 feet of a sidewalk, driveway, door, or gate maintained at a height of 2 feet or less?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are shrubs, bushes, and other plant growth 4 to 8 feet from a sidewalk, driveway, door, or gate maintained at a height of 4 feet or less?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are trees trimmed so that the lower branches are at least 6 feet above ground?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you use thorny/spiny plants as ground cover along fences and under windows?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are you using decorative rock or stone that makes noise when someone walks on them adjacent to your home?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Has fencing, paving, landscaping, or some other means been used to identify when a person moves from community property to public property?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is there a fence around your property and are the gates kept locked?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are items such as bicycles, wagons, lawn mowers, ladders, etc. locked up when not in use?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are entryways, sidewalks, and porches to the home illuminated at night?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are exterior lights controlled by photo cells rather than switches?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If you have motion detecting lights are they positioned to avoid false activations?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are low mounting lights protected so light bulbs cannot be unscrewed?

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<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are exterior telephone lines protected so they cannot be easily cut?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are exterior utility boxes (electricity, cable, telephone) padlocked to prevent unauthorized access.
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are vehicles kept locked when not in use?
Yes	No	Fix	Garage
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is the overhead garage door kept closed when not in use?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If you do not have a garage door opener, is the garage door kept locked?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are keys removed from the vehicles when they are parked in the garage?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are valuables kept away from garage windows or are the windows frosted?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If a key pad is used for entry into the garage, is the code changed often?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are doors from the garage to the home kept locked?
Yes	No	Fix	Doors
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are exterior doors including the door from the garage to the home of solid construction or metal encased?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do the exterior doors fit tightly in the door jamb?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are door locks at least 40 inches from glass windows or are double keyed cylinder dead bolt locks used?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do exterior doors have wide angle 180 Degree viewers?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If exterior doors swing outward and have exposed hinges, have the pins been welded or otherwise secured in place?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are exterior door strike plates secured to the house using at least 3 inch screws?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have screws been installed in the top track of patio sliding glass doors to prevent the door from being lifted off the track (screws should extend 1/2 to 3/4 inch below the door frame)?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have locking "Charlie" bars been installed in the center of sliding doors in lieu of wooden dowels in the bottom track?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are exterior doors kept locked, even when someone is home?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are door locks in good repair?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are keys removed from double cylinder deadbolts?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Was the residence re-keyed the last time an occupant moved in or out?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are keys to the home not hidden outside?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are deadbolt locks with a minimum of 1" throw installed on all exterior doors (including garage pedestrian doors)?

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Yes	No	Fix	Windows
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have secondary locks been installed on windows capable of being open?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are window air conditioners anchored and protected to prevent removal from the out side?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	When you are away, are windows covered to protect valuables from being seen from outside?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are windows kept closed and locked no more than 6 inches even when someone is home?
Yes	No	Fix	Alarm Systems
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does your home have an intrusion alarm system?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is the alarm system monitored by a professional
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Has everyone with a key to the home been trained to properly arm or disarm the alarm system?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does the alarm system have a battery back-up system in case of a power failure?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does the alarm system have a cellular or radio back-up system in case of a telephone outage?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you have an Indio City Alarm Permit as required?
Yes	No	Fix	Miscellaneous
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Does the home have a safe for storage of firearms and valuables?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have valuable papers been secured in a safe deposit box?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	If you have a safe, is it bolted to the house to prevent removal?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you have an accurate inventory of your valuables that includes make, model, and serial number?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you engraved items of value with a unique number that would help identify your property should it be stolen?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is there a cellular phone in the house in case the telephone lines are cut or inoperative?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is there a corded phone in the house in case a of power outage that disables cordless phones?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are alternative entry points (skylights, crawl spaces, vents, etc.) secured and locked?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Have you removed identifying information from your key rings incase they are lost or stolen?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are interior lights visible from the outside left on at night when the home is unoccupied?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are documents with personal information shredded before being placed

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			in the trash?
Yes	No	Fix	
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is a radio or television left on and playing when the home is unoccupied?
Yes	No	Fix	Vacation Checklist
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are home deliveries stopped and arrangements made for a trusted neighbor or family member to pick-up mail, newspapers, and packages?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are trusted neighbors asked to watch your residence when you are away?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are arrangements made to have the lawn mowed when you are away?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are arrangements made to have garbage cans placed for pick-up and returned to the house on pick-up days?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you provide emergency contact information to a trusted neighbor or family member when you are away?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is the ringer on the phone turned off or down when you are away?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Is the automatic garage door opener deactivated when you are away?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you use a timing device for your interior lights when you are away?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are you careful not to tell people your schedule if there is no need for them to know?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Are you sure not to change our answering machine message to reflect that you are away?
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Do you listen to your messages daily on your phone machine so the "beep" does not indicate you are gone and the mail box is full?

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