

CRIME PREVENTION

Exterior Home Safety Tips



1 WINDOWS

- ✓ Remove exposed ladders and secure your outdoor furniture, as they can be used to gain access to second floor windows.
- ✓ If your garage has windows, utilize privacy screens to prevent outside visibility.
- ✓ Ensure that all windows and doors, including those on the second floor, are locked when you are not home.
- ✓ Insert a bar or rod in the track of sliding glass doors to prevent unwanted entry from the outside.

2 SECURITY

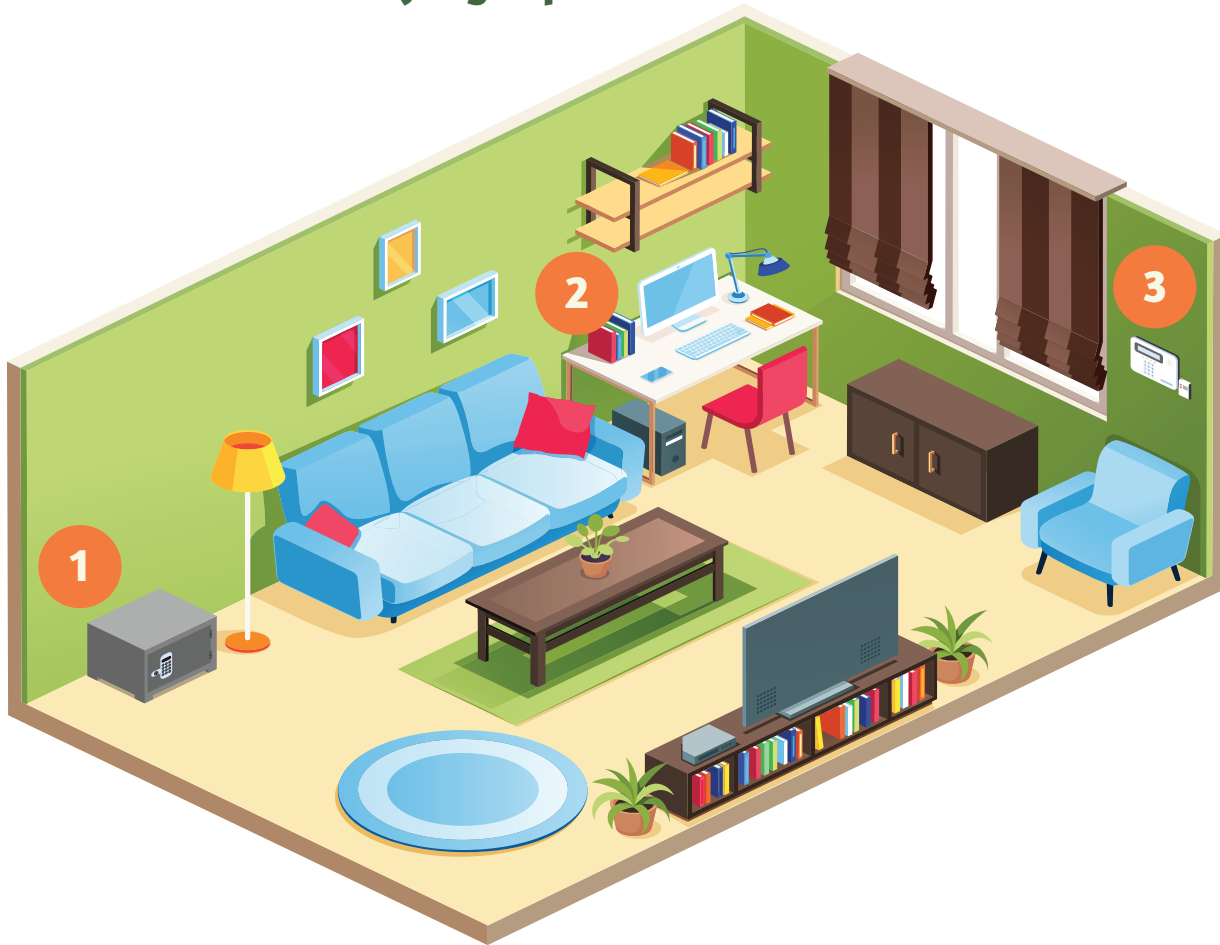
- ✓ Place security cameras with motion notifications at key entry points and vulnerable areas of your property.
- ✓ Position hardwired security cameras in difficult to reach places to hinder tampering.
- ✓ Acquire a protective doorbell security camera alerting you of activity.
- ✓ Set up motion-activated lights throughout the interior and exterior of your home and arrange programmable lights to give the illusion of activity inside.
- ✓ Secure access to your power box with a lock to protect it from intruders and unauthorized tampering.

3 OUTDOOR MAINTENANCE

- ✓ Install a lockable mailbox to protect letters and small packages.
- ✓ Display "beware of dog" signage, even if you don't have one. Consider investing in a motion activated dog barking device for the front and back of the house.
- ✓ Remove any overgrown landscaping or outdoor items that may hinder maintaining a clear line of sight to your property from all sides.
- ✓ If you can't see outside your property, law enforcement or neighbors also can't see suspicious activities occurring.

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Interior Home Safety Tips



1 STORE VALUABLES

- ✓ Keep valuables out of plain sight in bedrooms, as they are often the first place burglars search. Instead, store valuables in a safe anchored to the floor or a wall.
- ✓ To keep your belongings safe inside your home, draw curtains and close blinds when away.

2 IDENTITY PROTECTION

- ✓ Shred sensitive documents like bank statements and credit card bills. If you must keep them, make sure they're filed away in a safe place and out of sight.

3 SECURITY

- ✓ Invest in an alarm system that is hardwired to your Internet router, preferably one with monitoring and glass-break sensors. Be sure to activate your system every time you leave.
- ✓ Get a TV simulator, as these devices produce high-intensity light, color changes, and on-screen motion to make it seem like someone is home watching TV.
- ✓ Add a peephole to your front door to easily see who's on the other side.