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Home Security Checklist

Use this as a guide as you check your home for safety measures. Boxes marked "No" indicate areas where you could take action to improve your home's security. These are just some of the steps you can take to decrease the likelihood that you or your home is targeted.

Exterior Doors

All doors are locked at night every time we leave the house—even if it's just for a few minutes.

Doors are solid hardwood or metal-clad.

Doors feature wide-angle peepholes at heights everyone can use.

If there are glass panels in or near our doors, they are reinforced in some way so that they cannot be shattered.

All entryways have a working, keyed entry lock and sturdy deadbolt lock installed into the frame of the door.

Spared keys are kept with a trusted neighbor, not under the doormat or planter, on a ledge, or in the mailbox.

Garage and Sliding Door Security

The door leading from the attached garage to the house is solid wood or metal-clad and protected with a quality keyed door lock and deadbolt.

The overhead garage door has a lock so that we do not rely solely on the automatic door opener to provide security.

Garage doors are all locked when leaving the house.

The sliding glass door has a strong, working key locks.

A dowel or a pin to secure a glass door has been installed to prevent the door from being shoved aside or lifted off the track.

The sliding door is locked every night and each time we leave the house.

Protecting Windows

Every window in the house has a working key lock or is securely pinned.

Windows are always locked, even when they are opened a few inches for ventilation.

Outdoor Security

Shrubs and bushes are trimmed so there is no place for someone to hide.

There are no dark areas around our house, garage, or yard at night that would hide prowlers.

Yes	No
Yes	No
Yes	No
Yes	No

