

WHEN AWAY

- Yes No
- Suspend newspapers and mail.
- Inform trusted neighbors/friends of your trip and duration of travel.
- Alarm company informed of duration you will be away.

ALARM SYSTEM

- Yes No
- Have you considered an alarm system?
- All members of the family have been trained on how to arm and disarm the alarm system.
- Alarm system has a back up power supply.

MISCELLANEOUS

- Yes No
- Tool sheds, bikes, and other property kept locked at all times.
- Ladders kept locked or inaccessible.
- Burglary resistant safe or storage container for hiding away valuables.
- Family safety plan including home evacuation route established.

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Home Security Inspection



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While no house is completely burglar-proof, you can reduce the chance of becoming a victim by improving your home security. The checklist below will help you survey your home.

EXTERIOR

- | Yes | No | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Trees trimmed to maximize eyewitness potential. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Spiny, thorny or hostile vegetation around low windows and fencing. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Trees and branches located a safe distance from the house to prevent access to second story (if applicable). |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Property fenced; gates routinely locked. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Address clearly labeled and illuminated at night. |

LIGHTING

- | Yes | No | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Motion activated lights. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Well-lit walkways leading to the residence. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Adequate illumination to prevent hiding near windows and doors. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Lights on from dusk to dawn. |

WINDOWS

- | Yes | No | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Working lock mechanisms on windows. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Windows locked when you are not at home or sleeping. |

DOORS

- | Yes | No | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Exterior doors made of solid core or metal. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | A 180-degree peep hole in your front door. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Sliding door secured by screws and/or dowel. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Strike plates on exterior doors. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Deadbolt locks with minimum 1" throw into the door jam. |

GARAGE

- | Yes | No | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Garage windows and doors secured when not in use. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Garage openers removed from vehicles when parked outside. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Garage door unplugged when away for extended periods. |

INTERIOR

- | Yes | No | |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Valuable items kept in a safe or off-site safety deposit box. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Inventory list of valuables including the serial number and photographs. |



For more information or to request a home security inspection call the Elsmere Police Department at 859-342-7344.