

HOW SAFE IS MY PLACE?

PRESENT CONDITION	Consider making changes to the items marked 'No'		
DOORS Are external doors of solid construction? Are adequate locks installed? Are locks in good working order? Is a peep hole (door viewer) installed? Is a security screen door installed?	YES YES YES YES YES	NO NO NO NO NO	Solid doors are preferred - the door should be as strong as the lock Deadlocks are the best type of lock to use on entry and exit doors Locks should be checked and maintained on a regular basis to ensure they are in good working order Door viewers help you to monitor who is outside before you open the door Security doors provide additional protection and may deter intruders
WINDOWS Are windows solidly constructed? Are window locks fitted? Are security screens fitted to windows? Are unused windows closed and secured?	YES YES YES YES	NO NO NO NO	External windows and frames should be made of solid construction Key operated locks strengthen the security of your windows Security screens allow ventilation whilst still providing security Windows should be locked when not in use
LIGHTING Is security lighting installed? Are entry and exits adequately lit? Are sensor lights installed? Are light timers installed?	YES YES YES YES	NO NO NO NO	Security lighting should be installed to provide lighting at night The main entry and exits of your home should be well lit Sensor lighting in 'high risk' areas can deter intruders Consider using light timers to turn lights on and off when you are away from home
FENCES AND GATES Are perimeter fences installed? Can gates be secured?	YES YES	NO NO	Fences define the property boundaries and restrict access to the property Lock gates to yard with a keyed padlock to prevent access

OUTSIDE			
Is the street number clearly visible?	YES	NO	Ensure your street number is clearly visible to assist visitors and emergency services to locate your home
Is the letterbox fitted with a lock set?	YES	NO	The letterbox should be fitted with a suitable lock to prevent access to mail and personal information
Is the meter box secured?	YES	NO	Your electricity meter box should be locked - contact your electricity provider to arrange
Are gardens well maintained with shrubs and trees pruned?	YES	NO	Trees and shrubs should be trimmed to reduce hiding places and increase visibility to and from the street
Is the house clearly visible from the street?	YES	NO	Trees and shrubs should be trimmed to increase visibility to and from the street
Are wheelie bins secured?	YES	NO	Lock bins away or chain them to a fixed structure, away from the house, to prevent an intruder using them to climb into your home
Is the garage and garden shed locked?	YES	NO	The garage and garden shed should be locked to restrict access and limit the possibility of theft
Are tools, gardening equipment, ladders etc. locked away when not in use?	YES	NO	Garden tools, equipment and ladders should be locked away when not in use to prevent them being used to gain access to your home
VALUABLES			
Do you have an asset register?	YES	NO	Keep a record of your household items and valuables with descriptions, models, serial numbers and photographs for easy identification and reporting in the event of a theft
Are valuables left in plain sight?	YES	NO	Keep valuables in a secure location out of plain sight and away from the front of the house
PERSONAL SECURITY IN THE HOME			
Do you keep information about your security arrangements private?	YES	NO	Be aware of providing information about your home security with people that do not need to know
Do you keep information about your personal arrangements private?	YES	NO	Information about personal particulars, including your living arrangements and planned absences from home, should not be disclosed unnecessarily
Do you have important phone numbers stored in your phone?	YES	NO	Store the Police Assistance number, 131 444, in your phone, and the contacts of family and close friends, and download the Emergency+ App for use in the event of an emergency.