

We want you to investigate opportunities to discourage aspiring criminals from targeting your home. When it comes to Crime prevention, following is our Most Wanted list of things we want homeowners to think about.

Case the joint: Walk around your home with the eyes of a burglar. Look for weaknesses that would make a theft or break-in easy for a burglar.

YES NO

OUTSIDE HOME

Are there clear views of all windows and doors?

Do you have interior and exterior lighting that gives the impression you are home?

DOORS

Is there a convenient way of clearly seeing who is at your door without opening it?

Do all of your exterior doors have a deadbolt? with at least a one-inch throw?

Are the screws that secure your entry doors and the strike plates located on the door jamb opposite the lock at least 2 1/2 inches long?

Have you taken steps to reinforce any windows located in or next to doors?

SLIDING DOORS

If you have a sliding door, do you have screws in the top of the track to prevent the door from being lifted out when they are in the closed and locked position?

If you have a sliding door, do you have either a hockey stick in the bottom track or a security bar to prevent the door from opening?

WINDOWS

Do the sliding windows of your home have security locks?

NO	
NO	GARAGE DOORS
Ч	Do you always close and lock your garage door?
	Do you have a deadbolt on your walk-in door?
	VALUABLES Do you store valuables in the basement or keep them in a safety deposit box?
	Do you lock your vehicle or leave valuables in your vehicle?
	Have you marked all valuables with an engraver and recorded serial numbers?
	WHEN AWAY
	Do you have a trusted neighbour or friend pick up your mail, newspapers and flyers when away for more than a day?
	Have you made arrangements to have your lawn cut and your snow shoveled when you go away?
	If you have an answering machine, do you leave a message that leaves the impression you are home?

RESULTS Let's see how you did!

YES

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- □ 15-16 Excellent!
- □ 13-14 You're almost there.
- \square 11-12 You have a little work left to do.
- **9-10** Your home would benefit from further security improvements.
- □ 7-8 It's time to address your security needs.
- Less than 7 Improve your security. Don't delay.

Your results reflect the level of security your home has in relation to the most common security weaknesses.

Please review your security as all of the above changes to your home can, in most cases, be done at a reasonable cost. The results are substantial for the amount of money invested in your home.

Crime Prevention – It Starts With You