

Protect your home from *Break and Enter*



Here are some quick and easy ways to protect your home from potential break-and-enter offenders

Secure your home & garage with quality locks	Always lock up valuables and equipment. Consider installing a high quality alarm.
Don't give burglars a place to hide	Keep plants trimmed and avoid solid fences so that your doors and windows are visible from the street.
Make sure your valuables aren't visible	Conceal valuables such as wallets, keys and computers, so they're not visible from the outside.
Lock up outside	Lock all gates. Repair holes in fences that provide access to your property. Lock your electricity meter box to prevent tampering with your alarm or lighting.
Always lock up when you leave	Always lock accessible doors and windows even if you're just going out for a few minutes. Never leave fire doors, balcony doors, garage doors or other doors open.
Clean up around your property	Remove items that can be climbed to access your property.
Install sensor lighting	Install exterior sensor lights that turn on automatically when someone approaches.
Mark your property for identification	Engrave your valuables. Stolen items are harder to sell when they are marked. Property marking can also assist in recovering stolen property.
Change your locks	If you lose your wallet and/or keys, get a locksmith out to change the locks

Information from the NSW Attorney General & Justice website: http://www.crimeprevention.nsw.gov.au/cpd/prtotechhome/break_and_enter.html

Contact Council to find out about the *Burglar Beware* project.... find out how to protect your home AND receive funds to buy security equipment

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