

HOME SECURITY CHECKLIST

- Central station burglar/fire alarm:** 24 hour monitoring by a central station alarm company, so that in the event of a break-in or a fire, you, police and emergency crews are alerted immediately. All entrances and windows should be monitored by the alarm when it is on, and for extra security have motion sensors installed inside the home for nighttime monitoring.

- Consider hiring **on-site 24-hour security guard/patrol**.

- Consider installing a **video surveillance system** that monitors all access points to your property and home at all times.

- Inventory list** of valuable items, including but not limited to:
 - Fine art
 - Jewelry
 - Fine wine
 - Furniture
 - Silver, furs, coins, guns, etc.

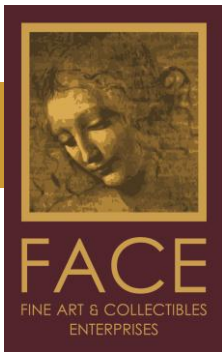
- Documentation:** Appraisals / purchase receipts for valuable items/collections for proof of value in the event of a theft, loss or damage.

- Limit access** to your home:
 - Record who has keys and alarm codes
 - When a person is removed from service or should no longer have access, make sure to retrieve keys/reset locks and alarm codes

- Install adequate **motion-sensor lighting** outside every entrance to your home. If there are dark areas around your home, install additional lighting.

- Install **timer-controlled lighting** inside your home as well as on the exterior, to indicate that someone is home—even if you're not.

- If you have a **perimeter fence** around your residence, make sure there is a **locked gate**. Fences without adequate *total* security can actually make it easier for thieves to hide from public view.



- Install **deadbolt locks** on every door.

- Keep **windows locked** at all times.

- Keep **bushes and trees around the home well-trimmed**, to give you a clear view of the outside.

- When out of town, **make residence appear lived in**.
 - Consider hiring a residence manager for second homes.
 - Continue landscape/gardening service.
 - Place a hold on mail/newspapers.
 - Hire someone to mow grass, shovel snow, etc.

- Consider **placement of valuable items**.
 - Do not place very valuable items in public view/windows/etc. where they may attract unwanted attention.
 - Unless your residence is gated and private, reconsider placing valuable outdoor sculptures within public view.

- Have **proper type and amount of insurance** in place to mitigate loss or damage.

- Make a documented **Emergency Management Plan** (see Emergency Plan Checklist for more info).

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