

Home Security Check List

Useful Phone Numbers

- ✓ All exterior doors and their frames are strong enough to withstand excessive force. Ideally, that means they are made of solid wood (not hollow), or metal. Thin panels and glass panes can be broken. Panels can be reinforced with 3/4" plywood; glass can be reinforced with security film.
- ✓ Doors should fit frames snugly.
- ✓ Wide angle viewers are installed in all solid exterior doors.
- ✓ All entrances visible to your neighbors or passersby are lit at night. The yard in general is evenly lit at a basic level, supplemented with motion response lights.
- ✓ All openings into the home--including sky lights, crawl spaces, vents and pet doors--are protected.
- ✓ The address is posted clearly on the house in a contrasting color, and is clearly visible night and day.
- ✓ Maintain an up-to-date list of serial numbers and detailed descriptions of electronics, and other valuables.

Abandoned Vehicles	541-942-9145
Animal Problems	541-942-9145
Better Business Bureau.....	1-800-488-4155
Crime Prevention	541-942-9145
Crime/Drug Tip Line	541-767-0504
Emergency	9-1-1
CG Police Non-Emergency	541-942-9145
Federal Trade Commission	1-877-382-4357
Home Security Inspections	541-942-9145
Home Vacation Checks	541-942-9145
Oregon Public Utility Commission	1-800-522-2404
Parking Problems	541-942-9145
Street Light Maintenance	541-767-4100
Traffic Signs/Signals	541-767-4100



Home Security Inspections



Have a Police Officer or a
Community Service Officer help
you make your home safer!

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Home Security Inspection

Working through the trauma of victimization takes time, patience and effort, traits that can be hard to come by after experiencing a home break-in.

There are often simple measures we can take to make our homes more secure. The Cottage Grove Police Department offers **free** Home Security Inspections to Cottage Grove residents.

A Police Officer or Community Service Officer will come to your home and offer suggestions to improve security. Our focus will be on examining locks, lighting and landscaping. Often, our recommendations can be implemented at minimal cost and should deter the average burglar.

Additionally, this brochure is intended to help educate you with home safety tips on how to protect your home from intruders.

If you return home and discover that your residence has been broken into do not enter. Instead, go to a neighbor's house or use a cell phone to call the police:

Emergency: 9-1-1

Non-Emergency: 541-942.9145



Vacation Tips

Have a neighbor keep an eye on your home while you are gone. They should make your home look occupied and cared for--park a spare car in the driveway; turn lights or appliances on at different times of day; open and close curtains; mow or water the lawn; rake leaves; shovel snow.

Make sure your neighbor knows how to reach you in an emergency, (your cell phone, contact number or email) and how to set or reset your alarm system. They should also know where you'll be staying and your expected date of return.

Arrange for someone to pick up mail, newspapers, unsolicited ads, etcetera. If that's not possible, arrange for your newspapers and mail to be held until you return.

Securely lock all the windows and doors in your home. All exterior hinged doors should have single cylinder deadbolt locks; sliding doors and windows should have lift and slide protection.

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