



# ROSENBERG POLICE DEPARTMENT



## HOME SECURITY CHECKLIST

Use this checklist to survey the security of your own home. Every “no” check mark shows a security weakness that needs improvement. Correcting these issues may decrease the likelihood that you or your home is targeted by criminals.

<b>Doors</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Are all outside doors in the house of metal or solid wood construction?		
Are door hinges protected from removal from the outside?		
Is there any glass in any door within 40 inches of the locks?		
Are strikes and strike plates adequate and properly installed with at least 3” screws?		
Can all of your doors be securely locked and are all of your locks in good working order?		
Do you have a wide-angle door viewer (peephole) installed in your front door?		
The sliding glass door has a strong, working key locks.		
A dowel or a pin to secure a glass door has been installed to prevent the door from being shoved aside or lifted off the track.		

<b>Windows and Garage</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Do all windows have adequate locks in operating condition?		
Is the garage door kept closed and locked at all times?		
Do you lock your car and take the keys out even when it is parked in your garage?		
The door leading from the attached garage to the house is solid wood or metal-clad and protected with a quality keyed door lock and deadbolt.		
Overhead garage door has a lock so that we do not rely solely on the automatic door opener to provide security.		

<b>Landscaping/Outdoor Security</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Shrubs and bushes are trimmed so there is no place for someone to hide.		
There are no dark areas around our house, garage, or yard at night		
House number is clearly displayed so emergency vehicles can find the house quickly.		
Gate latches, garage doors, and shed doors are all locked with high-security, laminated padlocks.		
Burglary Alarm System is installed and the alarm company has updated contact information.		
Security Cameras are installed to view entrances and the driveway.		

<b>Lighting</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Floodlights are used appropriately to ensure effective illumination.		
Outdoor lights are on in the evening – whether someone is at home or not or a photocell or motion-sensitive lighting system has been installed.		
Every outside door has a bright, working light to illuminate visitors.		
There are no dark areas around our house, garage, or yard at night that would hide criminals		

<b>Personal Valuables</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
Grills, lawn mowers, and other valuables stored in a locked garage or shed.		
Bicycle(s) are secured in a garage or with a U-bar lock or quality padlock and chain.		
Firearms are stored in safes.		
Property inventory list is up-to-date with serial numbers and pictures. A complete copy is kept in a safe place.		