



## Home Security Checklist

St. Louis Park Police Department would like to remind residents to practice good home security habits. Here is a quick and easy checklist to assist you in developing these good habits:

- Do you lock up? Double check that ALL doors and windows are locked tight before leaving your home.
- Do the exterior lights illuminate your home well?
- Are the shrubs trimmed by the windows and doors?
- Are garage doors closed AND locked when not in use?
- Do you report suspicious activity or persons to the police immediately?
- Do you lock up your tools and ladders and make sure they are not laying out in the yard for burglars to use?
- Do you have heavy duty strike plates mounted on exterior door frames?
- Does your deadbolt extend at least one inch?
- Is your house number displayed in such a way that it is visible from the street both day and night?
- Most importantly, do you know a neighbor or two? This is important so that if you are out of town someone can look over your home. Go out and introduce yourself to your neighbors or get involved in your neighborhood watch group!

You should be able to answer "yes" to all of the above suggestions to be well on your way to burglary prevention. If you have any other questions or concerns, or would like to set up an appointment for a premise survey of your home, you can contact Community Outreach at (952) 924-2661.