



Sunset Beach Police Department

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Home Security Checklist

Use this as a guide as you check your home for safety measures. Boxes marked "no" indicate areas where you could take action to improve your home's security. These are just some of the steps you can take to decrease the likelihood that you or your home is targeted.

Exterior Doors

All doors are locked at night and every time we leave the house, even if it's just for a few minutes.

Yes	No
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Doors are solid hardwood or metal-clad.

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Doors feature wide-angle peepholes at heights everyone can use.

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Any glass panels in or near our doors, they are reinforced so that they cannot be shattered.

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All entryways have a working, keyed entry lock and a sturdy deadbolt lock.

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Spare keys are kept with a trusted neighbor, NOT hidden under a door mat or planter.

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Garage and Sliding Door Security

The door leading from the attached garage to the house is solid wood or metal-clad.

Yes	No
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The doors are protected with a quality keyed door lock and deadbolt.

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The overhead garage door has a lock that is not solely relying on the door opener for security.

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Garage doors are all locked when leaving the house.

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Sliding glass doors have strong, working key locks.

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Glass doors have a dowel or pin installed to prevent them from being lifted off the track.

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Sliding doors are locked every night and each time we leave the house.

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Protecting Windows

Every window in the house has a working key lock or is securely pinned.

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Windows are always locked, even when they are opened a few inches for ventilation.

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Outdoor Security

Yes No

Shrubs and bushes are trimmed so there is no place for someone to hide.

There are no dark areas around the house, garage, or yard at night that would hide prowlers.

Every outside door has bright, working light to illuminate visitors.

Floodlights are used to appropriately to ensure effective illumination.

Outdoor lights are on in the evening.

Our house number is clearly displayed so police and emergency vehicles can find the house.

Security When Away From Home

At least 2 timers have been set to turn the lights on and off.

Yes No

The alarm system has been activated (if present).

Mail and newspapers deliveries have been stopped for the time that were gone.

A neighbor has been asked to tend the yard and watch our home when we are away

Outdoor Valuables and Personal Property

Gate latches, garage doors, and shed doors are locked with high security padlocks.

Yes No

Gate latches, garage doors, and shed doors are locked after every use.

Grills, lawn mowers, and other valuables are stored in a locked garage or shed.

Valuables that must be left out are hidden from view and securely locked to a stationary point.

Every bicycle is secured with a U-bar lock or quality padlock and chain.

Bikes are always locked, even if we leave them for just a minute.

Valuable items, such as TVs, computers, etc. have serial numbers written down.

Home Inventory

A home inventory is up-to-date and includes pictures.

Yes No

The complete home inventory list and serial number list are kept somewhere outside the house.

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Call us @ (910) 579-2151 if you have any questions, comments, or concerns.

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