

Survey your home using the following checklist. Every “NO” answer indicates a vulnerable aspect that may help a burglar. As you and your family eliminate the “NO” answers, you improve your home and personal security.

1. Do you keep a list of all valuable property? Is such a list made in duplicate, with at least one copy kept in a place outside your home?

2. Do you have a list of your serial numbers of your valuable property?

3. Do you have a description and photograph/video of valuable property?

4. Do you keep excess cash and other valuables in the bank?

5. Do you plan so that you don't need to “hide” a house key under the doormat or in a similar location?

6. Do your family members know what to do if they discover a burglar breaking in, or already in your home?

7. Do family members know to leave everything undisturbed and call law enforcement if they discover that a burglary has been committed?

8. Are trees and shrubs trimmed to eliminate hiding places?

9. Do you have a security closet with a solid-core door, non-removable hinges, and a dead bolt lock?

10. Do you have emergency telephone numbers listed on your phone?

11. Is the outside of your home well lit at night?

12. Is your house number easily visible from the roadway at any hour?

13. Have you made it more difficult for burglars by locking up ladders and eliminating trellises and drainpipes that can be used as ladders to reach upper floors of your home?



14. Are your doors of solid-core construction?

15. Do your entry doors have wide-angle peepholes (also for children)?

16. Are your interior door locks secure from being opened/turned, if a burglar breaks out a pane of glass or a panel of lightweight wood?

17. Do exterior doors have cylinder-type dead bolt locks with at least one inch throw and a beveled cylinder guard?

18. Do doors without cylinder locks have a heavy dead bolt or similar security device that can be operated only from the inside?

19. Can all of your exterior doors be securely locked?

20. Do your basement doors have locks that allow you to isolate that part of your home?

21. Are all of your locks in good repair?

22. Are the door strike-plates installed with three inch screws or longer?

23. Do you know everyone who has a key to your home?

24. Are all your door hinges installed on the exterior side of the door have non-removable pins?

25. Do sliding doors have a lock that secures both the door panels together or the active side to the frame? Are sliding doors secured by back-up pin or pole system?

26. Is the non-electric garage door secure with a padlock, hasp or other good lock?

27. Do you have a separate garage door locking system to keep it from being opened by a wireless garage door opener while you're at home?

28. Do you lock your car and take out the keys even when it is parked in your garage?

29. Are ALL windows in your home and garage equipped with locks or pinned? Are the locks in working order?

30. Do you keep your windows locked when they are shut?

31. Have you replaced or secured louvered windows?

32. Do you cover garage windows with curtains or shades?

33. When you go on a trip, do you arrange for someone to pickup newspapers, mail, packages and other deliveries?

34. Do you arrange to make your home look lived in when you are away?

36. Do you notify a trusted neighbor or other family members that you will be gone?

37. Do you store all valuables in a secure place while you're gone, such as a safe deposit box?

38. Do you have a fire escape plan?

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**Latah County Sheriff: 208-882-2216
Moscow Police Dept: 208-883-7054**

**Emergency Guidance
From Your Latah County
Local Emergency Planning
Committee (LEPC)**

For more information contact:

Visit the web page at:

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www.latah.id.us/disasterservices

Home Security Checklist

