Home Business Security Check

Target Hardening Tips

Target Hardening means tightening up security on a potential crime target and is the main objective of the Home Security Check Program.

Some security issues that are examined during a Home Security inspection include the following:

Exterior doors and locks

- metal or solid wood doors
 - 1 to 1½" deadbolt
 - 3" screws on doors
- 180 degree door viewer (peep holes)

™ Windows

- use security film
- lay doweling on track

™ Lighting

- motion sensor lights
- maximize visibility

□ Landscaping

- trim trees and shrubs
- reduce hiding places

THE HOME/BUSINESS SECURITY CHECK PROGRAM IS AN EFFECTIVE DETERRENT TOWARDS SAFEGUARDING YOUR HOME/BUSINESS AND BELONGINGS. THE HOME/BUSINESS OWNER SHOULD BE AWARE THAT A SECURITY INSPECTION AND CRIME PREVENTION DECAL ARE NO GUARANTEE THAT THEY WILL NOT HAVE A BREAK-IN. FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO REGISTER FOR A SECURITY CHECK, PLEASE CONTACT THE WHITE ROCK RCMP COMMUNITY POLICING AT 778-593-3611



For more information on this & other crime prevention programs, please contact:

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Home/Business SECURITY CHECK PROGRAM



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Home Security Check

<u>Purpose</u>:

The White Rock RCMP Home/Business Security Check Program is a proactive crime prevention initiative to empower homeowners to take steps to decrease the risk that they will be a target of a break and enter.

The program consists of security cleared and trained volunteers from the White Rock RCMP Detachment visiting your home or business to inspect your property from the inside and out.

Doors, windows, landscaping, and lighting will be reviewed for security. After the inspection, the home/business owner will be left with recommendations on how to upgrade the security of their residence or business.

The home/business owner will also be requested to maintain an inventory of valuables which would be available to give to police in the event that the location is broken into.

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Who can Participate:

The Home/Business Security Check Program is a service available to the owner of any detached home, condominium or business in the city of White Rock. Apartment building managers and strata councils can also request the service for their buildings.

To request an inspection, a home/business owner, building manager, or strata council representative would phone the White Rock RCMP Crime Prevention Unit at:

778-593-3611

A Security Check volunteer will contact the homeowner to set up a convenient date and time for the security review.

When the home/business owner completes the recommended security upgrades and inventory checklist, an RCMP Home Security Check decal will be issued to be displayed at the front and rear of the residence.

HOME PROTECTION TIPS

- 1. Lock your doors & windows.
- 2. Leave your outside lights on at night.
- 3. Leave some lights on when you're away from home or have timers installed if you're going to be away for an extended period.
- 4. All entryways should have working keyed entry lock and a sturdy dead bolt lock installed into the frame of the door.
- 5. Doors should be solid hardwood or metal-clad.
- 6. If there are glass panels in or near doors, have them reinforced so they cannot be shattered.
- 7. Reduce plants around your home where burglars can hide. Keep shrubs and bushes trimmed and dark areas around your yard lighted.
- 8. Lock garage doors to protect valuables stored inside and prevent access to your home.
- 9. Park in the driveway to give the appearance that someone is home.
- 10. Don't leave tools outside that can help burglars gain access to your home. Put ladders away and lock garages & garden sheds.
- 11. Sliding glass doors should have a working key lock.
- 12. Install wooden dowels, pins or a Charlie bar to prevent the sliding door from being lifted off it's track.
- 13. Leave spare keys with a trusted neighbor or, not under a doormat or planter, on a ledge, or in the mailbox.
- 14. Leave the radio on to make it sound like someone is home.
- 15. Arrange to have a neighbor or friend collect newspapers and mail while you're away.