

CRAVED

How CRAVED are your assets? Are they:

- C** – Concealable
- R** – Removable
- A** – Available
- V** – Valuable
- E** – Enjoyable
- D** – Disposable

Your results from our Home Safety Quiz reflect the level of security your home has in relation to the most common security weaknesses. If you answered 'no' to any of these questions, consider what changes you can make to improve your home security.

Consider joining a crime watch group which can provide information on current criminal activity in your area.

MORE INFORMATION



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HOW SAFE IS YOUR HOME?



CPTED (Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design) is a program designed to help reduce your chance of becoming a target for criminal activity. These strategies assist to make it undesirable and more difficult, leading them to choose other locations to commit crime.

We designed this quiz to help you make better choices.

In case of emergency:

Call 9-1-1

or

Leduc RCMP at 780-980-RCMP (7267)



Our partners endeavour to be leaders in crime prevention by assisting residents and business with the adoption of best practices to reduce crime.



Home Safety Quiz

Are there clear views from outside the house, inside the house, from the street, etc.?

YES NO

The more private an area is, the more likely it is to attract the attention of a criminal. Thieves like to work where they can't be seen. Consider installing a wide-angle lens peephole.

Are your bushes and trees overgrown, or is your property well maintained?

YES NO

Trim trees and shrubs that block sight to your windows and doors, especially basement windows. The more secluded an area is, the more likely it is to attract the attention of a criminal. Thieves like to work in areas where they cannot be seen.

Are there visible interior or exterior lights that give the impression you are home, even if you're not?

YES NO

Install outside lighting to eliminate dark areas around doors or windows. Consider using motion lights with a low intensity.

Is there an easy way of seeing who is at your door without having to open it?

YES NO

Every door should have a way of clearly seeing who is there without opening it. This will allow you to keep your door locked while assessing the visitor prior to opening it. Leave your door locked when you are at home, including your screen door. If you have a screen door, you should have it locked and you can open the main door to converse with any person while maintaining security. A locked screen door also provides additional security to any door.

Do all of your exterior doors have a deadbolt with a part that extends into the door frame that is at least one inch long? Are the screws located on the door jamb opposite the lock at least 2.5 inches long?

YES NO

Criminals with tools easily defeat conventional key in the knob locks. Deadbolts should be installed on all exterior doors. Door-kick break-ins are becoming common. To secure a door properly, the screws should be at least 2.5 – 3.5 inches long, and the strike plate should have a minimum of four offset holes.

Do the windows of your home have a pin (removable nail-like object drilled through the overlapping vertical frame at a downward angle); or a secondary aftermarket locking device?

YES NO

Most window locks are easily broken. Criminals target sliding windows because they are easy to jimmy open. Add one or both of the security measures mentioned above. Basement windows, and windows next to doors, can be protected using a piece of polycarbonate – a clear, rubberized plastic. It is important that you can escape, in the event of a fire, when using a barrier-type counter-measure.

Are your valuables stored safely?

YES NO

The best place to put valuables is in a safety deposit box. A good alternative is to hide valuables in a lock box in a general storage area concealed in your home. It's a good idea to make a list of your valuables, take photos of them, and list their serial numbers and descriptions. Engrave your electronics, bikes, and tools.

Do you always close and lock your garage door?

YES NO

Garages are a favourite target because they often have other valuables, such as vehicles, power tools, sporting goods, and bicycles in them. Thefts from garages are an easily preventable crime. Keep garage doors closed and locked, even when you are home. Be sure the overhead door closes completely after you drive in or out of your garage.

Do you leave lights on timers, both inside and outside the home?

YES NO

Timers make a home look lived in and will avoid leaving your home in darkness at night and leaving the outside lights on during the day.

Do you have a trusted neighbour or friend to pick up your mail, newspapers, and flyers?

YES NO

The accumulation of mail is a sure sign that nobody is home.

Have you made arrangements to have your lawn cut and snow shoveled?

YES NO

The appearance of your home should not vary whether you are home or away.

