## Home Security Checklist

Use the following guide to conduct your own Home Security Checklist. The more 'yes' boxes you can tick, the harder you make it for burglars:
$\square$ Are your trees and shrubs trimmed so it's hard for burglars to hide behind?
$\square \quad$ Do you have solid core doors?
$\square$ Do you have locks and deadbolts or deadlocks fitted?
$\square$ Do you have security screens on doors and windows?
$\square \quad$ Does your door have a peephole?
$\square$ Do your windows have key-locks or security devices?
$\square$ Does your house have an automatic light timer or sensor lights?
$\square$ Are the entrances to your home well lit?
$\square$ Is your home fitted with an alarm?
$\square$ Are there fences and gates on your property to restrict access?
$\square$ Is the garage or shed kept locked?
$\square$ Are your tools and ladders stored away?
$\square$ Is the meter box locked?
$\square$ Are your contents and valuables engraved or marked for easy identification?
$\square$ Have you recorded the serial numbers?
$\square$ Do you have window stickers letting burglars know you have an alarm and your property is marked?
$\square$ Is there a phone or mobile in the bedroom with emergency numbers handy?
$\square \quad$ Do you have a dog?
$\square$ Is your house number clearly visible from the street?
$\square$ Have you joined Neighbourhood Watch?

## Going on Holidays?

$\square$ Have you let your neighbours know? Provide them with dates and emergency contact details.
$\square$ Are you registered with the Vacant Premises Advice page?
$\square$ Do your doors and windows lock securely?
$\square$ Have you arranged for mail to be held, redirected by your post office, or asked a neighbour to collect your mail for you?
$\square$ Are your deliveries such as newspapers cancelled?
$\square$ Have you asked a neighbour to bring your rubbish and recycling out on your regular bin night?
$\square$ Are your house keys left with a trusted friend or neighbour instead of concealed inside or outside the house?
$\square$ Do you have someone organised to cut your lawn and water your garden?
$\square$ Are your garden tools and ladders locked away?
$\square$ Have you turned down the ringing volume on your telephone?
$\square$ Consider asking your neighbours to park a second car in your driveway.

