

## Home Security Do's and Dont's

- Do install locks on all exterior doors
  - Do use a good deadbolt, at least 1 inch deep
  - Do change locks when you move to a new place or lose your keys
  - Do install a peephole in your front door
  - Do use an alarm system
  - Do install exterior security lighting
  - Do post a sign and window stickers that you have an alarm system (even if you don't)
  - Do make your home look lived in
  - Do keep your garage doors shut
  - Do get a yappy dog
  - Do pickup delivered mail as soon as possible
  - Do keep your name off the mailbox
  - Do pick up newspapers in your driveway as soon as possible
  - Do use timers on your lights when you are away
  - Do program the number of your local police into speed dial
  - Do call KeepCheck when you are going out of town for a while
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- Don't admit strangers to your home
  - Don't hide keys outdoors in obvious places
  - Don't leave valuables in obvious places, especially the bedroom
  - Don't publish online where you are
  - Don't leave outgoing mail in your mailbox overnight
  - Don't create hiding places with landscaping
  - Don't leave ladders in plain sight