

Fairfax County Police Department Prevention Guide



Burglary Prevention Tips

- Stay alert and report suspicious vehicles or individuals in your community to the police immediately.
- Install a security alarm system that includes second-floor motion detectors and glass-break sensors
- Use an audible security system that produces a **LOUD NOISE** to deter intruders.
- Ensure your security cameras are operational and have backup batteries in case of a power outage.
- Install motion-sensor lights around the perimeter of your home.
- Secure ladders and other equipment in your backyard to prevent burglars from accessing upper levels.
- Notify trusted neighbors when you are traveling or out of town.
- Install surveillance cameras at both the front and rear of your property.
- Activate interior lights, particularly on the second floor, to create the illusion of activity when you are away.