

# Safer Homes

By introducing some simple but practical security precautions into everyday life, you can take an active role in reducing crime and help to keep your home and community safe.

## Home Security Checklist



- Is your house number visible so your house can be quickly identified if you need assistance?
- Are your trees and shrubs trimmed so it's hard for burglars to hide?
- Do you have locks and deadbolts or deadlocks fitted on windows and doors?
- Do you have security screens fitted on windows and doors?
- Does your door have a peephole?
- Are the entrances to your home well lit?
- Do you have security sensor lights on the exterior of your home?
- Is your home fitted with an alarm?
- Are your garage, sheds and gates adequately locked?
- Are your tools and ladders stored away?  
*Your tools could be used to break in to your own home!*
- Are your meter box and letterbox locked?
- Have you marked all items of value for identification?
- Have you photographed contents and valuables, and recorded property serial numbers?
- Are your valuables locked in a safe?
- Don't leave keys hanging up or lying around.  
*They are an easy target for burglars.*
- Do you know your neighbours?

## Did you know...

35% of burglaries occur when people are at home. Lock up your house even when you are at home or out in the garden.

## Ranger and Community Safety Services

24 Hours a Day  
7 Days a Week

1300 4 Canning  
(1300 422 664)



City of Canning

1317 Albany Highway, Cannington WA 6107

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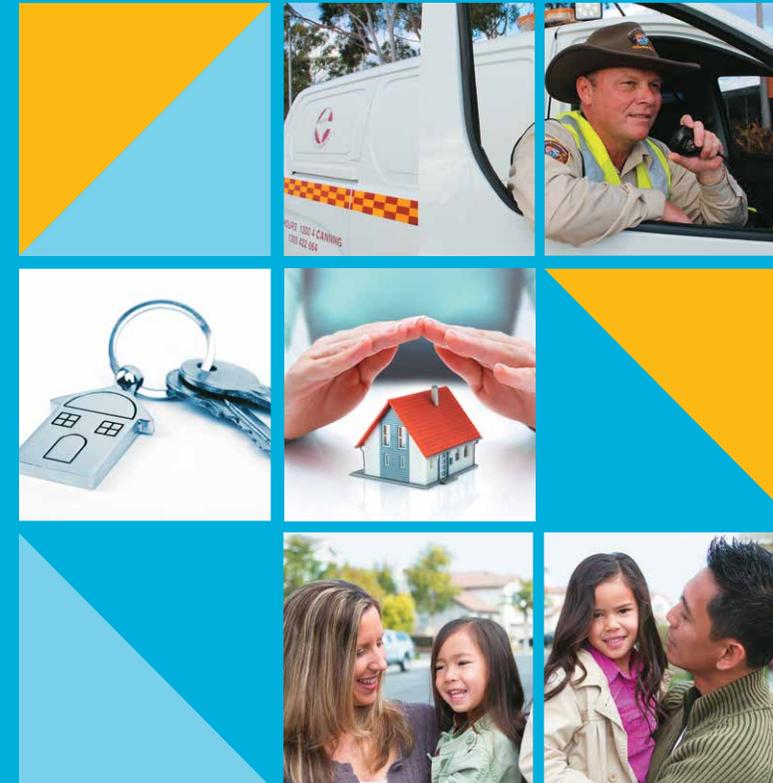
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Working together for a safe community.



# Holiday Safety

In the excitement and rush to organise your holiday home security can be easily forgotten. Here are some tips to reduce your risk of burglary whilst you are away.

- Have you advised your alarm monitoring service of your contact details whilst you are away, or an alternative contact/keyholder?
- Have you turned down your telephone volume?
- Is your pet door properly secured?
- Have you cancelled any regular deliveries such as newspapers?
- Have you arranged for your mail to be held, re-directed or collected by a friend?
- Have you arranged for someone to water the garden, cut the lawn, sweep up any leaves, put out your bins and look after your pets?
- Consider installing automatic timing devices for lights and electrical appliances such as radios and TVs.
- Give your house keys to a trusted friend or neighbour, do not hide them outside.
- Consider employing a private security service to check your home while you are away or contact the City to request a Holiday Watch Patrol.
- Consider leaving an old pair of shoes by the front door to give the impression that someone is home.

## SAFETY TIP

Think twice before advertising your absence on **social media** or your telephone **answering message**. You never know who could be reading or listening...



## Ranger and Community Safety Services

### What does this Service mean to you as a resident?

The aim of the Service is to provide peace of mind and a feeling of safety and security to residents of the City.

Officers are on duty 24 hours a day, seven days a week to discourage anti-social behaviour by providing community patrols and assistance with relevant legislation and local law matters.

### You're in safe hands

All Ranger and Community Safety Service Officers hold security licences administered by the Western Australian Police Service.

### Emergencies or criminal matters

The Ranger and Community Safety Services team work closely with the Police, however they do not act as a replacement.

For all criminal matters the Police should be called on 131 444.

In the case of an emergency call 000.

# Going on Holidays?

For security and peace of mind, the City offers Holiday Watch Patrols at no extra cost.

Residents who register will have their property patrolled regularly while they are away.

To register call **1300 4 CANNING (1300 422 664)**



For more safety and security tips visit **canning.wa.gov.au** and download the City of Canning Community Safety Handbook.



Keep informed of local crime trends by joining the WA Police ewatch program at **ewatch.com.au**



For information about the Neighbourhood Watch program visit **nhw.wa.gov.au**

## SAFETY TIP

Get to know your neighbours as they are your most valuable security asset. They can keep an eye on your property and report any suspicious behaviour.