

# New Homeowner Security Checklist



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## Week 2-3 Actions

### Enhance Physical Security

- ☐ Install door viewers (peepholes) if missing
- ☐ Add door chains/bars for additional security
- ☐ Secure sliding doors - Bar in track, pin in frame
- ☐ Window security film - Makes glass harder to break
- ☐ Motion sensor lights - Especially for dark areas
- ☐ Security cameras - Focus on entry points first

### Landscape for Security

- ☐ Trim bushes below 3 feet near windows
- ☐ Remove ladder-like landscaping near second story
- ☐ Add thorny plants under windows (natural deterrent)
- ☐ Ensure lighting isn't blocked by vegetation
- ☐ Secure outdoor furniture - Can't be used to climb

### Consider Professional Security

- ☐ Get security assessments from 2-3 companies
- ☐ Compare monitoring options - Local vs. national
- ☐ Understand response times - Critical for effectiveness
- ☐ Review contract terms - No long-term traps
- ☐ Check references - Especially in your neighborhood