

I heard you coming and called the Police

Security in the home is at risk especially during hotter days when people become more careless. In fact it is surprising how careless people are when it comes to home security. People still leave spare keys under the mat, above the doorframe or even under a plant pot next to the front door. Leaving a key outside your door like this is highly irresponsible and may even in some cases invalidate any insurance cover you think you have.

It's a hot day and like millions of people you open a few windows but make sure you close them before you go out. Even if you think you will only be five minutes think about how much a thief could steal in that time. The last thing you want to do is return and find someone in your home.

Make sure you don't leave valuable garden furniture and equipment in plain sight for people to easily see. Try and be discreet and place it behind a wall or plants so it is not easily seen. You should always remove any gardening tools as they can be used to break in to your home.

A simple door entry announcement system would provide a simple and very cheap alarm system. These come in two types one is connected to the door and every time the door is opened the connection is broken and the alarm goes off. Slightly more expensive is a chime with a built in motion detector, which I believe is the better option of the two.

The small battery operated alarm with the sensor is more flexible and can be moved around the home, you can put it next to patio doors or in the hallway. You can also position it so that young children can get in and out the kitchen for drinks but if they ventured further into your home the alarm would go off.

You can quickly and easily set up a mini motion sensor alarm and as it is battery operated there is no wires or need to find an electrical socket. Normally these alarms come with two settings including a simple chime so that you know someone has passed or a continuous alarm sound to warn you.

The mini motion sensor is a great security device to take on holiday with you. You can point it at the door or next to patio doors to make sure you are not broken into whilst asleep. Nobody wants to wake up with an intruder in their bedroom.

Most thefts are of an opportunistic nature and if you don't give them the opportunity you are less likely to be the next victim. Remember it is always better to prevent someone getting into your home so if possible keep your doors locked at all times. For more information contact your local police station for crime prevention advice.

About the Author

Home security and personal security is important and Scott Chalmers offers great advice from [wireless home security](#) systems to getting the [best home alarm](#) systems.

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