

Creeper Burglary (entry to your premises when you are in bed)

- Always lock your doors and close the windows at night, especially on the ground floor
- If you have deadlocks use them, this makes it harder for the thief to get out
- Never leave keys in the doors, but have them close at hand in the event of an emergency
- Don't leave spare keys outside or in a garage or shed
- Car keys should never be left in view or left in an obvious place
- If you have a burglar alarm, then consideration should be made to have it zoned so that you can have it on whilst in bed at night.



***Lock it or lose
out!***



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For more information or further copies contact
your local Crime Prevention officer on:
0845 600 8000

[http://www.psni.police.uk/index/crime-
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HOME SECURITY ADVICE***



***Close it, Lock it,
Check it....***

Advice for all private dwellings

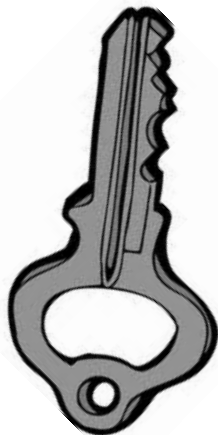
Domestic Burglary

- Lock your doors and windows - remember to double lock your UPVC doors by lifting the door handle and turning the key.
- Make your home look occupied - uncollected mail and unlit houses can attract unwanted attention.
- Put your keys away — if they are left in sight near letterboxes and windows burglars are skilled at getting to them. Never leave a spare key hidden outside.
- Install a burglar alarm and use it.
- Secure ladders and tools in a locked garage or shed.
- Keep gadgets, jewellery and cash away from windows.
- Join your local Neighbourhood Watch to pick up more crime prevention tips. If there isn't a local Watch, start one.
- Stay vigilant - if you're suspicious of someone you think may be a burglar then contact the police.
- Take pictures or mark your property in case you are burgled, as you may have the chance to claim or identify your goods. Make sure you have adequate insurance.



Distraction Burglaries — bogus callers

If a caller knocks on your door you should



Lock -
Keep front and back door locked (with keys taken out), even when at home...



Stop -
Is anyone expected? Is the back door locked? Look through a spy hole or a window to identify the caller...



Chain -
Put the chain on before opening the door and keep it on whilst talking to the caller...



Check -
Ask for the caller's I.D. Check it by using the phone. Ring Quick Check on free phone 0800 01 32290

Further details on Quick Check can be obtained on the following link —
http://www.psni.police.uk/quick_check