

## Mission Statement

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The mission of Walla Walla Area Crime Watch is to assist local law enforcement, fire departments, and emergency management agencies in the area of crime prevention.

Walla Walla Area Crime Watch is an organization comprised of citizens with law enforcement, fire and prevention specialists as advisors.

All funds received will continue the work of Crime Watch in supporting crime prevention programs and activities which encourage community education with the purpose of reducing crime victimization and reduce the fear of crime.

Walla Walla Area Crime Watch also supports and recognizes volunteers involved in making the Walla Walla Valley a safer place to live and work and play.



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## Burglary Prevention Check List

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# Burglary Prevention Check List



## Outside Perimeter

- | Yes                      | No                       |   |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are doors fitted with dead-bolt locks?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are your doors of solid construction?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do your doors fit their frames snugly?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are strike plates properly secured?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you have key locks on exterior doors within arm's reach of windows?                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are door hinges non-vulnerable?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you lock your porch and garage?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you lock your doors when away from home for short periods?                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you lock the doors out of your view when working in the yard?                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you avoid leaving keys hidden near access doors?                                       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you avoid leaving notes on the door to indicate your absence?                          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Are your windows secured with a track pin or Charlie Bar?                                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you keep tools, ladders, etc. in places inaccessible to potential burglars?            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you store lawn mowers, snow blowers, gas barbecues, etc. out of sight when not in use? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you light the outside of your home to discourage prowling or loitering?                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | When you move to a new residence do you hire a reliable locksmith to re-key all locks?    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you change your locks immediately if your keys are lost or stolen?                     |

## Inside Security

- | Yes                      | No                       |   |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you refuse to provide information regarding your property to telephone surveys?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you avoid leaving valuables, coin collections or large amounts of cash at home?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you leave lights on and a radio playing when out for short periods?              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Have you marked your valuables or recorded serial numbers for identification?       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you conceal high value items from view of window/door? (Gun display cases, etc.) |



## Apartment Security

- | Yes                      | No                       |  |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you refer unknown persons seeking entrance to the manager?                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you report suspicious activities to the manager or police?                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you advise the manager of any travel plans and request apartment checks and mail pick-up? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you avoid storing valuable property in your apartment locker?                             |

## Vacation Security

- | Yes                      | No                       |   |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you notify a neighbor of your travel plans and give a key with a request for a periodic house check? |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you leave window shades in the normal positions?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you cancel all deliveries?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you make arrangements for your yard to be kept up and any mail or brochures to be picked up?         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | If you own a second car, do you park it in the driveway?  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you use a light timer on interior and exterior lights?   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/> | Do you double check all doors and windows to be sure they are properly secured before leaving?          |

*If your answer is **NO** to any of the above, you should improve your home security.*

You may feel additional home security is an unnecessary financial burden, but consider that home security is not renewable. It is one of the few ways you can permanently protect your family, yourself and your home. It also must be stressed that most homes' security can be vastly improved by modifying and improving existing windows and doors.

