

# INFORMATION AND CONTACT

Advice on how to protect your home mechanically or electronically is available free of charge by the police advice centre:

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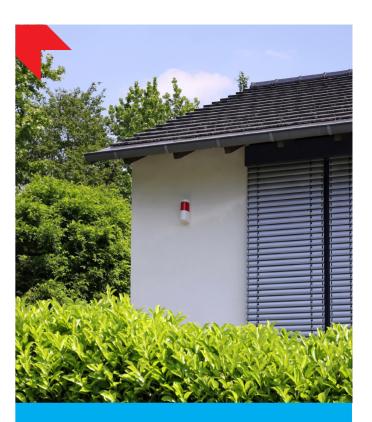
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### BURGLARY PREVENTION ELECTRONICAL AND MECHANICAL MEASURES

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- A burglary usually lasts between 5 and 10 minutes.
- The burglar usually uses a screwdriver to pry open a window.
- You can protect yourself against burglary.



## **MECHANICAL PROTECTION**

#### **THE DOORS**

The Police recommend installing a burglarresistant entrance door in accordance with DIN EN 1627 with a minimum resistance class of RC2. The door glazing should comply with DIN EN 356 and be fitted with at least laminated glass of resistance class P4A.

The security of the existing door can be increased by an additional crossbar or lock.

#### THE WINDOWS

In new buildings or renovations, burglar-resistant windows of resistance class RC2 according to DIN EN 1627 should be installed. Triple glazing does not make burglary more difficult if laminated safety glazing of resistance class P4A according to DIN EN 356 has not been installed.

Existing windows can be upgraded with screwon additional security devices.

### WINDOW WELLS, GRILLS AND ROLLER SHUTTERS

Cellar windows (or light wells) can be reinforced with stable sheet steel panels or fixed with grids.

The bars of the steel grids should be 18 mm thick and anchored at least 8 cm deep in the surrounding masonry. The spacing between the bars should not exceed 12 cm.

Plastic roller shutters (jalousies) are designed to protect the house from the sun or from prying eyes, but they are not an effective protection against burglary.



It is advisable to provide roller shutters with a stable lock, which makes it more difficult to tear them off. Lifting them from the outside can be prevented by blocking devices, which are mounted in the upper third of the rail or in the shutter box.

## ELECTRONICAL PROTECTION

#### **PREVENTION THROUGH LIGHT**

Burglars avoid light. Especially in autumn and winter, when the days are shorter and the nights longer, it is advisable to illuminate the interior of your house with electronical timers.

#### THE ALARM SYSTEM

An alarm system can easily be installed by a professional company. For new buildings, a wired alarm system can be provided while for existing buildings a wireless alarm system can be installed.

The alarm system is individually programmable for each home and its inhabitants and should include the following elements:

- central alarm unit with internal siren
- external siren on the front side of the house (clearly visible)
- alarm transmitter (GSM module)
- magnetic contacts (window, door, garage door)
- motion detector
- glass breakage detector
- smoke detector

The alarm system must also be switched on in case of a short-term absence. During the night, the system can be partially activated so that you can move freely in your home.



Burglars avoid houses with an alarm system.

