



Deter a burglar from entering your home

- Make sure you double-lock UPVC doors by lifting the handle and locking it.
- Check all doors are locked and all windows, including those upstairs, are secure before you go out.
- Use timer switches on lamps to give the impression somebody is at home or keep a light on in the evening when you leave.
 - Consider installing alarms and 'dusk to dawn' security lighting.
 - Consider installing a CCTV camera outside your property.
- Join Neighbourhood Watch, which will provide you with information and advice about crime in your local area.

Keep your valuables secure

- Keep all jewellery and other valuables in a safety deposit box – speak to your local bank to find out what's available.
- If you would prefer to keep it at home, use a good quality safe which complies with official insurance rating standards.
 - Register your jewellery on the free **secure** online database **www.immobilise.com** - that way, if police recover your property, they'll be able to return it to you.



For detailed security advice, please visit **www.herts.police.uk** or contact us on **101**.

For more information about Neighbourhood Watch, or to join, contact **WLO@herts.pnn.police.uk**



Invest in keeping your **GOLD** safe

Information from an experienced burglar of gold jewellery suggests that they find it much more difficult to steal your gold and other valuables if they are kept in a good quality safe* which is secured to a wall or to the floor.



Some smaller free-standing safes can be removed quickly by a burglar and low quality safes can be prised open within seconds.



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* To ensure that your safe is the best possible standard, visit www.securedbydesign.com a Home Office approved website which lists approved security products which have been awarded the 'Police Preferred Specification' status. Or visit www.soldsecure.com which lists products approved by the Master Locksmiths Association.