

# HOME INTRUDER SAFETY PLAN

## Practical Steps to Protect Your Family



### KEY TAKEAWAYS FOR YOUR HOME INTRUDER SAFETY PLAN

Having a calm, clear plan to follow during a home intruder event is essential to protect your family. Lock down your home quickly, avoid confrontation, and call 000 immediately for help.

Understanding the roles of emergency services ensures the right help arrives fast. Afterwards, follow official advice and remain vigilant to keep your household safe.

### WHY YOU NEED A HOME INTRUDER SAFETY PLAN

Break-ins can happen at any time and often without warning. A safety plan helps you and your household respond calmly and effectively, reducing risk and protecting lives.

- Prepare for the unexpected:** Avoid panic and make safe, clear decisions under pressure.
- Protect your loved ones:** Share clear steps with kids and vulnerable family members.
- Build confidence:** Practise your plan so everyone knows what to do.
- Stay informed:** Understand local risks and adapt your plan to your neighbourhood.



### 5 KEY ACTIONS DURING A HOME INVASION

- LOCK DOWN** secure doors and get to your safe room.
- STAY QUIET** and hidden. Don't alert the intruder.
- CALL 000** immediately and follow the operator's instructions.
- KEEP FAMILY TOGETHER** in the safe room if possible.
- DO NOT CONFRONT** the intruder under any circumstances.

### PLANNING YOUR RESPONSE: LOCKDOWN BASICS

- Move to a safe room:** Go to a room with a sturdy, lockable door, a phone, and no weapons accessible.
- Stay quiet & out of sight:** Keep silent and avoid any actions that could reveal your location.
- Prepare children:** Teach kids beforehand about the safe room and practise regularly.
- Call 000 immediately:** Give your location and a brief, clear description. Stay on the line if possible.
- Avoid confrontation:** Never try to confront or apprehend the intruder.

**Be ready:** Plan a backup safe area or escape route in case your first option isn't accessible. Consider silent ways to alert for help, like text or emergency apps.

### AUSTRALIAN EMERGENCY SERVICES

Know who helps in a home intruder event:



**POLICE**  
Respond to emergencies, attend the scene, and investigate.



**AMBULANCE**  
Provide urgent medical care if anyone is injured or in shock.



**FIRE & RESCUE**  
Assist with entry, safety hazards, and securing the property if needed.



**A PLAN PREPARED IS A FAMILY PROTECTED.**  
Prepare today, stay calm, and keep your loved ones safe.