



Burglars always look for easy targets
Make sure your home is secure

Will your locks stop them?

Good locks on all doors and windows are essential

See overleaf for some useful tips

Stay safe and secure in Harrow



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The most important items for your safety and security are

Locks and Bolts

- 1** PVCu and aluminium doors should have multi-locking systems. Additional mortice deadlocks and/or key operated throw bolts can be fitted to provide additional security and reduce the leverage points.
- 2** Always remember to lift multi-locking handles and lock with a key, to prevent burglars reaching in through the letterbox to open the door. Internal letterbox shields also prevent car or house keys being fished through the letterbox.
- 3** Wooden front doors should be solid timber, with a BS 5-lever mortice lock one third of the way up and an automatic deadlocking rim latch one third of the way down.
- 4** Wooden back doors should be solid timber, with a BS 5-lever mortice lock and two mortice rack bolts.
- 5** Hinge bolts should be fitted to outward opening doors.
- 6** Patio doors should have a minimum of three locking points, with an anti-lift device to prevent them being lifted from their runners. Extra surface mounted patio locks can be fitted to provide additional security and reduce the leverage points.
- 7** All ground floor windows and any windows that are easily accessible above ground floor should have key operated window locks, unless they are to be used as fire escapes.
- 8** Window handles should be multi-locking, with shoot bolts into the frame. If not, surface mounted, key operated window locks should be fitted to provide additional security and reduce the leverage points.



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