
It is necessary to have an extension telephone in the safe haven so that the police can be summoned in the event of an attack. In some areas where telephones are unreliable, two-way radios have been provided.

Padlocks, cylinder locks and strong sliding bolts can be used to secure overhead, sliding, swinging or accordion-type garage door.

Have your plan of escape from fire and other emergencies prepared and discussed in advance with other occupants.

4. OTHER MEASURES THAT DO HELP

Illumination of Property

If properly located, floodlights and ordinary 100 and 200 watt incandescent bulbs can play an effective role in dissuading criminals from attempting to penetrate a house or an apartment.

To achieve the ideal lighting arrangement, an attempt should be made to obliterate all shadows in which an intruder might hide. This may necessitate removing shrubs and cutting branches from trees. If it is not possible to achieve this objective, the lights should be positioned so that anyone attempting to reach the external walls of the building would have to cross an illuminated area.

At residences surrounded by large grounds, one or two floodlights are directed from the front entrance to the driveway gate, or gates, while others are set up so that they will illuminate the perimeter wall, fence or hedge at the front, back and both sides of the property. The floodlights should not be turned towards the residence and if guards are on the premises they should avoid as much as possible illuminated areas.

Dogs

Protection afforded a residence by a barking dog cannot be over-emphasized. A dog's keen sense of hearing and smell enables it to detect the presence of intruders before household members can.

A dog does not have to be large or appear vicious to be effective, since it is its bark that will alert the occupants to a possible threat to their safety.

In Depth Protection

Heads of households should strive to achieve "in depth" protection from the perimeter barrier to the safe haven area, taking into account the deterrents that will be provided by the fence or wall, guards, floodlights, dogs, doors and windows, locks and alarms. It is the well thought-out total defensive arrangement that will provide the maximum protection