



CRIME PREVENTION SURVEYS

The Lampasas Police Department offers written Crime Prevention Surveys to residences within the City that may help minimize the risk of becoming a victim of a break in. Following an inspection of the home or business, officers make specific recommendations to make the location more "crime resistant" and less appealing to criminals. These surveys evaluate things, such as lighting, doors, windows, locks, alarms and safety procedures. Some insurance companies offer a reduction in rates of Home Owner Policies if certain requirements and guidelines are met and properly documented.

The following is a brief overview of the procedure for obtaining a possible reduction in your (Home owners) insurance rates:

You must meet the following requirements to receive the basic reduction in your insurance premiums. Each insurance company sets their rate of reduction of premiums.

You must check with your insurance company to see what type of premium reduction they offer.

Call the Lampasas Police Department at **(512) 556-3644** and **schedule an appointment for an inspection of your home with Patrol Sergeant Tony Barrio**. Sgt. Tony Barrio is presently the only certified- police inspector for the Lampasas Police Department that can examine your property. The department anticipates sending other officers to this specialized training in the near future.

Upon a satisfactory survey, we will send a report of the officer's findings to the Texas Department of Insurance, Property Insurance Division in Austin, Texas. This agency will then mail you a certificate of compliance. You should then give this certificate to your insurance company.

REDUCTION IN HOME OWNERS INSURANCE PREMIUMS

Chapter 5, Texas Insurance Code, Article 5.33A Sec, 6

1. Exterior doors are solid core doors that are 13/8 inches thick and secured by dead-bolt locks. Dead-bolt locks must have a minimum bolt throw of one inch which penetrates a metal strike plate.
2. Metal doors are secured by dead-bolt locks as described above.
3. Double doors must meet the specifications for exterior doors as described above, and have the inactive door secured by header and threshold bolts that penetrate metal strike plates.
4. Sliding glass doors are secured by secondary locking devices that prevent lifting and prying.
5. Dutch doors have concealed flush bolt locking devices to interlock upper and lower halves and have the door secured by a dead-bolt lock as described above.
6. Garage doors are equipped with a key operated locking device.
7. Windows are secured by auxiliary locking devices. An auxiliary locking device can be a thumb screw lock, pinning devices, or wooden dowels.
8. Exterior Door is within 30 inches of any glass, the door must be secured with a double cylinder dead bolt lock.