



SMART HOME CHECKLIST

Maximizing Security, Privacy & Personal Safety

PRIOR TO OCCUPANCY / CLOSING

<input type="checkbox"/>	Obtain a list or inventory all of connected devices and documentation including but not limited to manuals, vendor / manufacturer contacts and websites. Examples of connected devices include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Modems, gateways, hubs, access points <input type="checkbox"/> Connected access for garage, locks, gates <input type="checkbox"/> External keypads for garage, locks, gates <input type="checkbox"/> Thermostats, HVAC, energy systems <input type="checkbox"/> Smart lighting systems <input type="checkbox"/> Smoke, carbon monoxide, etc. detectors <input type="checkbox"/> Sprinkler / irrigation systems <input type="checkbox"/> Appliances (TV, refrigerator, washer/dryer, etc.) <input type="checkbox"/> Auto controls linked to home systems <input type="checkbox"/> Security alarms, video monitoring systems
<input type="checkbox"/>	Review privacy and data sharing policies of all devices and services. Do they provide adequate controls?
<input type="checkbox"/>	Obtain confirmation from previous occupants and vendors they no longer have administrative or user access.

ALL DEVICES & APPLICATIONS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Submit change of ownership and contact information to device manufacturers and service providers (email addresses, cell phone numbers, etc.) to ensure you receive security updates and related notifications to maximize your security and privacy.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Review devices' warranty and support policies. Occupants should consider disabling devices or specific features that are no longer supported by a vendor.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Review the configuration settings for remote access, encryption and update cycles and adjust where needed.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Reset privacy and data sharing settings to reflect your preferences. For example – data collection and sharing, camera and microphone settings and other device functions.

MODEMS, GATEWAYS & HUBS

<input type="checkbox"/>	Review home Internet routers and devices to ensure they support the latest security protocols and standards and disable older insecure protocols. (check the vendors websites for updates & patches).
<input type="checkbox"/>	Update and modify all system passwords and user names upon taking possession of your new home or rental unit. Where possible create unique passwords and usernames for administrative accounts.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Run updates and contact manufacturers to confirm devices are patched with the latest software and firmware.

SECURITY ALARMS, KEYLESS ENTRY, GATE SYSTEMS, ETC.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Reset access and guest codes for home alarm systems, gates and garage door openers.
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HOME THERMOSTATS, HVAC SYSTEMS, SMART TVS, LIGHTING & OTHER DEVICES

<input type="checkbox"/>	Disable connectivity for devices no longer supported by the manufacturer or replace these devices.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Review the privacy practices of the connected devices including data collection and sharing with third parties and reset permissions as appropriate. Where possible opt-out of data sharing unless there is a benefit to you.