



# SECURITY DOOR VS BARRIER DOOR, WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE?

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# DON'T RISK YOUR SAFETY

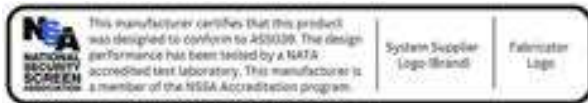
## NSSA's Consumer Guide to Real Security

Security Screens might look simple, but designing and manufacturing a safe, compliant security screen is complex. Telling the difference between a compliant security screen and a non-compliant product can be difficult.

The NSSA is here to help provide consumers with honest, unbiased advice, on how to choose security screens to keep your home protected and your family safe.

### 1: No Compliance Label, it's not a Security Screen!

Security screens are designed and tested to meet Australian Standards. It is mandatory for manufacturers to label their screens with both the system supplier and fabricator names, confirming compliance with AS 5039. If it's not labelled, it's not a security screen, don't risk it!



### 2. Always Look for 3 Locking Points

For real security, your doors must have 3 locking points. Without this, intruders can pry open the corners of the door in seconds. A 3-point lock is NOT an optional add on, it's a necessity.



### 3. Beware of Diamond Mesh Conversions

"Industry cowboys" are converting generic diamond mesh frames into stainless mesh screens that look modern but offer ZERO security and won't stop intruders, a moderate kick will take out the mesh. Don't waste your money on these flimsy imitations.



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### 4. Poor Installation, Ruins a Great Security Screen

Even the best security screen is ineffective without proper installation. A professional installer knows Australian Standards, follows manufacturer's installation guidelines and ensures precise tolerances and specific fixings. To be effective, security screens need a professional measure and installation.

### 5. Avoid the Weakest Link

Compliant screens use high-quality materials, mesh, and locks. Some businesses cut corners with cheap knockoffs, turning your investment into wasted money. Don't be fooled with "safety" claims.

### 6. Check the Installer's License

Many states and territories require security screen installers to be licensed. Ask your installer if they are licensed.

### 7. Don't Be Fooled by Name Games

"Safety Screen", "Barrier Screen", "Security Screen", they may sound similar, however only AS5039 compliant screens are legally allowed to be advertised, sold and installed as security screens. Don't fall for a name that won't pass the test. Real security is not just a deterrent for intruders, it can help protect your home and family.