











SECURITY SCREENS: YOUR HOME'S BEST DEFENCE

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When thinking about home security, many homeowners immediately consider security cameras or sensor lights. The reality is, a camera will monitor your home and sensor lights may only act as a deterrent. Neither will physically stop an intruder from breaking in. That's why security screens and security doors should be your first line of defence.

Is your Front & Back Door an Easy Target?

The most common entry point for a break in is through the front or back door. Intruders often look for an easy entry point, and if your door is unlocked or not reinforced with a compliant security screen, you may be leaving your home exposed.

A Security Door Offers Real Security

"Barrier doors" or "safety doors", which many homeowners mistakenly install as a solution, are not designed for real security. They can be easily kicked in or pried open, offering little resistance to intruders. However, a compliant security door not only deters intruders, but also serves as a physical barrier.



Security Screens: Your Homes Best Defence Against Intrusion

Physical Protection: Unlike cameras and sensor lights, security screens create a tangible barrier that prevents entry. Even if someone tries to break in, the strength and design of a compliant security screen make it difficult to bypass.

Durability and Strength: Compliant security screens meet rigorous Australian Standards, ensuring that they're strong enough to withstand forced entry attempts. Barrier doors simply can't offer the same level of protection.

A Layered Security Approach: While cameras and sensor lights may help as an addition, they should be used to complement security door and screens, not replace them! A security screen acts as the foundation of your home's security, physically stopping intruders, while cameras and lights act as support systems to monitor and alert you to potential threats.





How to Protect your Home Effectively

> Start with the Front Door:

This is the most common entry point for burglars. Installing a compliant security screen on your front door is the first step to keeping your home safe. Make sure it meets Australian Standards for maximum protection. If your back door is easily accessible, it's just as important to secure it, protect both entry points for complete peace of mind.

Barrier Door Vs Security Door:

A barrier door or safety door may look secure, but it won't stop a break in. A compliant security door, however, is designed to withstand forced entry attempts, is manufactured to Australian Standards and will be installed with a 3-point lock and an Australian Standard compliance label.

IMPORTANT: If your door has a pet door or it has no compliance label, it's not a security door!

Build on Your Security:

Once your doors and windows are secured with security screens, adding security cameras and sensor lights can act as a deterrent and can help monitor activity around your home, but they should never be used as protection. Security screens provide a protective barrier that will help to protect your family and home.

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