

## **Security locks FAQs**

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Are there differences among security locks?

There are plenty of differences among security locks. There are window and door locks. There are mechanical and digital locks. There are grade one, two and three locks. The best ones for exterior doors are grade one deadbolts, but it always depends on your needs.

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What are the distinctions between home and commercial locks?

Most commercial enterprises today use digital high security locks and access control systems. This doesn't mean that households cannot get the same locks or that there aren't companies with average security locks installed. Choices should be made according to personal needs.

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When is the best time to replace locks?

The best time to replace locks is when they are old and damaged and cannot be efficiently fixed. If you cannot trust your home locks completely, it's best to replace them before you leave for vacations, according to our experts. Replace them if they're broken, too.

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How can I avoid burglaries?

Burglaries are avoided when you take good security measures in advance. These include installing good locks, plenty of lights in the garden, an alarm and other security systems all around the house. If your locks get damaged, fix them right away. Don't give your keys to anyone.

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What are the multi-point locks and where should I install them?

Multi-point locking systems have multiple bolts, which extend and are thrown to the strike of the door at the opposite side. They offer high security, according to our experts, and are excellent security solutions for external and sliding doors.

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What are the cylinder door locks?

With cylinder door locks, the springs, pins, keyholes, bolt and entire mechanism of the lock is in the cylinder. They usually offer high security and if the cylinder gets loose, it's an easy lock fix since you'll only have to tighten the setscrews hidden behind the faceplate.

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Should I install the new locks on my own?

It's preferable to avoid installing the lock on your own. The simplest mistake might cause significant security gaps. Lock installation might include drilling holes, aligning the strike plate and making sure everything works correctly. Since it is related to your security, avoid it.

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Are strike plate problems fixed easily?

Yes, strike plate problems are often associated with misalignments. If the screws are loose, the strike plate won't be aligned with the bolt and the door won't lock. You will have to align it by returning it to the right position and then tightening the screws.

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Do all locks freeze in the winter?

All locks are made of steel and that's why they might all freeze during the winter. In order to avoid such problems, make sure the lock is cleaned and especially well-lubricated before the cold weather comes. Check the key, too. If it's damaged, replace it.

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Why do security locks get stuck?

All locks get stuck. All it takes is some problematic parts, loose cylinders, a lack of lubricants, or dirt accumulation in the lock. Make sure the bolt and other parts of the door lock are in good condition and lubricated. Check and fix any problem with the strike plate, too.

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What is ANSI?

ANSI is the American National Standards Institute, which checks locks and categorizes them based on their resistance and durability. Grade one locks are the strongest ones and best for

commercial use, but are also beneficial for residential use. They are followed by grade two and three locks, which are less durable.

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## Do broken security locks get fixed?

It's best to replace security door locks if they are broken. Locks need to be fixed when they are misaligned or some parts are loose and need tightening. If they are broken, they are of no use and will certainly not secure your property well. Change them!

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