

New Town Security Report

Local security guide - New Town TAS 7008 - Greater Hobart, City of Hobart

About New Town

New Town is about 3 km north of the Hobart CBD.

New Town is one of Hobart's oldest suburbs, just north of the city, with the New Town Road shops, the historic Runnymede house and a mix of heritage homes, units and flats. At the 2021 Census, 6,781 people lived in New Town in about 2,697 occupied homes: 68% separate houses, 10% townhouses or semi-detached homes and 21% apartments, and 41% of homes were rented.

Housing and local context

Housing stock: Georgian and Victorian cottages, Federation homes, and units and flats.

New Town has Georgian and Victorian cottages and Federation homes, many heritage-listed, alongside units and flats built in the 20th century. Older homes often have timber sash windows, narrow side paths and small back yards.

Common security concerns in New Town

- Older sash windows and timber doors
- Rented flats and units
- Narrow side paths

Local tip: Old windows and rented flats

About 41% of New Town homes were rented at the 2021 Census, and about 21% were units or flats. Older cottages have timber sash windows and original doors that need keyed locks and deadlocks. Renters can add portable locks and battery cameras that move with them.

Security providers servicing New Town

Coverall Security - Security Guards & Patrols

Licence 11702 | (03) 6278 3255 | <https://www.coverallsecurity.com.au/>

MBK Security Group - Security Guards & Patrols

Licence 409648996 | ABN 66 128 196 332 | 1300 023 333 | <https://mbksecuritygroup.com.au/>

OzSpy Security - CCTV & Camera Installation

Licence not published | 07 3806 4891 | <https://www.ozspysecurity.com.au/>

TMR Systems - Alarm Systems & Monitoring

Licence not published | 1300 867 797 | <https://www.tmrsystems.com.au/>

Before you hire: checklist

- Look up the licence number on the relevant state regulator register and confirm it is current.
- Check the ABN on the Australian Business Register (abr.business.gov.au).
- Hardwired 240V work needs a licensed electrician; in-wall data cabling needs an ACMA-registered cabler.
- For guards and patrols, confirm both the firm licence and each attending officer's licence.
- Get at least three written quotes listing camera models, recorder storage and warranty.
- Aim cameras at your own property and consider disabling audio on cameras facing shared areas.