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# What is Physical Security

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- ▶ Controlling physical access to something
- ▶ Normally used in the context of a building or room

## Note:

Any type of Security is a balance between security, convience of access and aesthetics.

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### └ What is Physical Security

1. there is no perfect security



# Primary Elements of Physical Security

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- ▶ Physical Structure of Building and Site
  - ▶ Doors
  - ▶ Windows
  - ▶ Walls
  - ▶ Roofs
  - ▶ Floors
  - ▶ Perimeter of Property

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  - ▶ Other Access Control
  - ▶ Man Traps
  - ▶ Vehicle Gates

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# Human Factors

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- ▶ Security Guards
- ▶ Other Employees

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### └ Human Factors

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- ▶ Other Employees

Human Factors



# Security Guards

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### └ Security Guards

1. is there a way around the guards
2. how attentive are they
3. are they distracted
4. can they be distracted

Security Guards





# Other Employees

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### └ Other Employees

1. tailgating
2. social engineering
3. bribery

Other Employees





# Doors

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- ▶ frame gap
- ▶ REX sensor
- ▶ lock — fail safe or deadly
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1. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SD14A04ancI>

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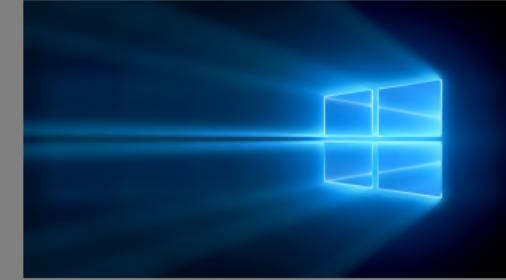
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No not this windows



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└ Windows

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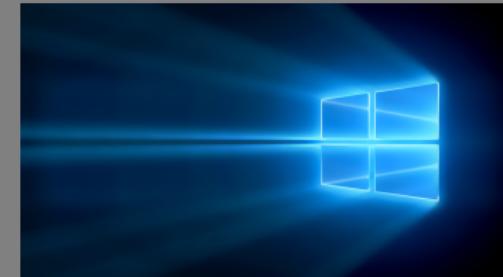
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# Walls/Roofs/Floors

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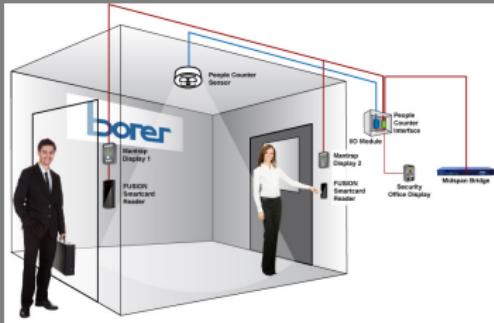
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