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## HOW DOES A FLOOD SENSOR WORK?

With snow melting and rain falling, springtime can become awfully expensive should you suffer damages to your home from flooding or a failing sump pump. Because of this, WH Security provides two main types of water sensors to help protect what matters most and limit the amount of damage done in the event of an environmental emergency.

One style of water sensor has external contact points. When water makes contact with them it shorts the device and triggers the central processing unit (CPU), which notifies the monitoring center. This style is commonly placed along the bottom of walls or near a drain for surface water detection.

The other style we install is a float-style water sensor, which goes in the sump tank. When water reaches the level of the device, a portion of it starts to float up. When it reaches a certain height, it triggers the CPU and notifies the monitoring center.



Having environmental sensors to detect water leaking in your home can relieve concerns and help avoid expensive damages. It is important to note, these sensors are always on whether your alarm system is armed or not. No matter how the water arrived in your home, early detection is paramount to avoiding major costs from water damage.

Adding water sensors to your security system will not increase the monthly monitoring fee. Call our security specialists today at 763.477.3664 to learn more.

## WHY YOU SHOULD GET A SERVICE PLAN

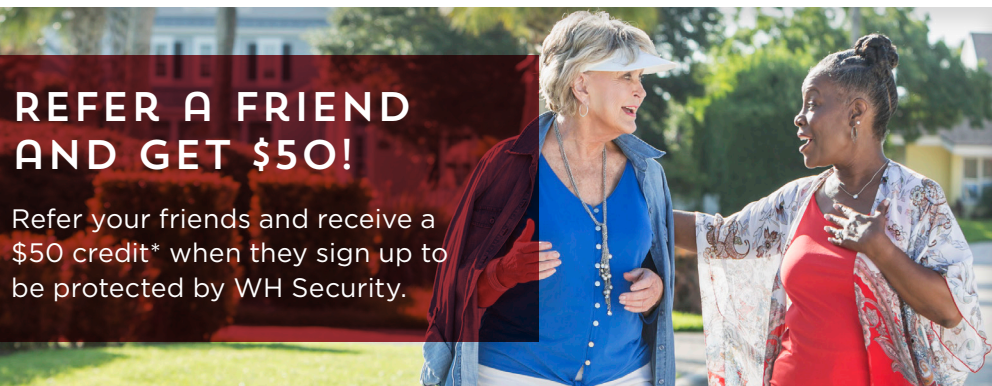
You can help unforeseen costs associated with your security system by signing up for one of our three service plans. WH Security's Basic service plan is \$5 per month and covers the trip and labor charges accrued during a service call, as well as one annual system check.



The Extended service plan is \$10.95 per month and includes free parts, trip and labor for up to 12 zones. The Extended Plus service plan is \$15.95 per month and includes free parts, trip and labor for 13 to 25 zones.

All three service plans from WH Security include an optional free system check per year, which helps to ensure that your system is always in excellent working order. These affordable options from WH Security are a terrific value for both your security system and your budget.

Our custom-designed security systems put your mind at ease and alert you of intruders and environmental issues such as fire, freeze and flood. Adding a service plan helps protect you from unforeseen costs.



## REFER A FRIEND AND GET \$50!

Refer your friends and receive a \$50 credit\* when they sign up to be protected by WH Security.

*\*Certain restrictions may apply. Medical alerts are not included.*

## WILL PETS SET OFF A SECURITY SYSTEM?

Nothing is more important than the safety of your family, and many times that family includes pets. Can those pets trigger the security system designed to protect them? Yes, security systems can be set-off by pets. But they can also be designed to accommodate households with pets, greatly reducing the likelihood of pet-triggered alarms.

If a device is adjusted properly, it is unlikely that it will be set off by a pet. For example, a motion sensor can be set to certain specifications so that it won't "see" a cat. However, there is still a chance that the sensor could be triggered by the cat if it climbs onto a chair and gets directly in front of the sensor. To avoid pets triggering these alarms, your WH Security specialist will utilize other options to fully protect your home.

Glass break sensors can also be triggered by pets. These sensors are activated by a certain decibel of noise and pitch that occurs when glass breaks. Some dogs

can cause these sensors to send an alarm by barking. If you have hard surfaces in your home, like hardwood floors, the noise carries and magnifies, making your sensor more likely to be set-off.

Homeowners can also take certain preventative measures once their system is installed to ensure that pets won't trigger any alarms. For example, pets may be able to open or move doors enough to set off an alarm if the door is not completely closed. If you have pets in your home, make sure doors and windows are securely closed before you activate your security system. The tighter a door or window is when it's completely closed, the less likely it is that an alarm will occur.

There are many other home-protection devices available that can be used in households with pets. Call a WH Security specialist at 763.477.3664 to create a custom security solution for your property, and remember to test your security system regularly to assure its functionality and accuracy.



## 5 MUSEUMS YOU CAN VISIT ONLINE

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, many of our favorite places are now closed. Did you know, that there are several museums and zoos now offering online videos that allow you to tour these iconic places from home? Here's a list of our favorites.

### 1. The Louvre, Paris

Free online tours of three famous exhibits from the world's largest art museum.

[louvre.fr/ed/visites-en-linge](http://louvre.fr/ed/visites-en-linge)

### 2. Van Gogh Museum, Amsterdam.

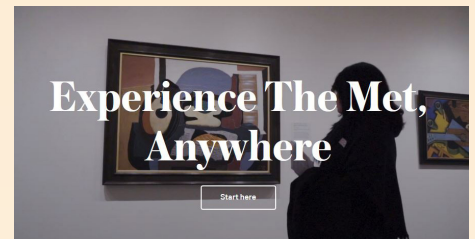
Get up close and personal with the impressionist painter's most famous work.

[vangoghmuseum.mn/en](http://vangoghmuseum.mn/en)

### 3. Smithsonian National Museum of Natural History, Washington, D.C.

Move at your own pace through the 360-degree room-by-room tour of every exhibit in the museum.

[naturalhistory2.si.edu/vt3/NMNH](http://naturalhistory2.si.edu/vt3/NMNH)



### 4. Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

This institution has 26 online exhibits.

[metmuseum.org](http://metmuseum.org)

### 5. The Art Institute of Chicago

Explore thousands of pieces of art from one of the oldest and largest museums in the United States.

[artic.edu/visit-us-virtually](http://artic.edu/visit-us-virtually)

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