

Darwin City Security Report

Local security guide - Darwin City NT 0800 - Darwin, City of Darwin

About Darwin City

Darwin City is Darwin's central business district.

Darwin City is the Northern Territory's capital city centre, with the Smith Street Mall, Mitchell Street's bars and restaurants, the Waterfront Precinct and government offices, and a population that lives almost entirely in apartments. At the 2021 Census, 7,149 people lived in Darwin City in about 2,984 occupied homes: 1% separate houses, 0% townhouses or semi-detached homes and 99% apartments, and 75% of homes were rented.

Housing and local context

Housing stock: Apartment towers and blocks, almost no houses.

Darwin City is made up almost entirely of apartment towers and blocks, many with balconies and sliding doors left open for the breeze, and shared car parks, pools and lobbies. Offices, shops and Mitchell Street venues need after-hours security, and cyclone season affects doors, glazing and backup power.

Common security concerns in Darwin City

- Balcony and sliding doors left open
- Shared car parks and lobbies
- Venues and offices after hours

Local tip: Apartments and balcony doors

About 99% of Darwin City homes were apartments and 75% were rented at the 2021 Census. Keep balcony doors locked when you're out, even on upper floors, keep car park and lobby doors closed behind you, and use portable security if you rent. In cyclone season, check your building's plan for doors and power.

Security providers servicing Darwin City

Cambush Security Solutions NT - Access Control & Intercoms

Licence 357 | ABN 25 168 304 934 | (08) 8948 3775 | <https://www.cambushsecurity.com.au/>

CCSNT - CCTV & Camera Installation

Licence not published | <https://www.ccsnt.com.au/>

Darwin Lock & Key - Locksmiths

Licence not published | ABN 51 675 951 961 | (08) 8948 1966 | <https://www.darwinlockkey.com.au/>

Darwin Locksmiths & Hardware - Locksmiths

Licence not published | (08) 8981 2611 | <https://www.darwinlocksmiths.com.au/>

GSE Security NT - CCTV & Camera Installation

Licence not published | (08) 8988 2271 |

<https://goodsparkselectrical.com.au/cctv-video-surveillance-installation/>

MBK Security Group - Security Guards & Patrols

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