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Is Smart Home Technology Safe?

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Are you ready to take smart home technology seriously?

As with any new technology, it's OK to have doubts about just how safe smart home technology is. We get it: Things that are new are scary, even if they are perfectly good for us. But take it from somebody who lives, eats, and sleeps smart home technology: It's perfectly safe.

This week on the blog we are going to address some of the concerns that come up surrounding smart home tech. We are also going to look at how smart home technology can actually improve the safety of your home in several areas. Hopefully, by the time you finish reading this, you'll feel comfortable with using such technology in the future – and be just as excited about the possibilities that smart home tech can bring to your home as we are.

So, Is Smart Home Technology Safe?

There are a couple of ways of looking at this question, so the answer is going to be a bit complex.

Let's start with the basic rundown: Yes! Smart home technology is safe to use in your home, and it isn't going to cause problems or lead to any health issues for you or your family. What it will do is create convenience in how you use and interact with your home, making everything from controlling the TV to managing lighting easier than ever.

But, as with any technology, there is risk associated. With more devices being connected to the internet, there're more ways for cybercriminals to potentially gain access to your home network. Whether through your router or through compromised connected devices, these are things to be aware of as you are bringing more and more pieces of technology online and connecting them with your larger smart home network.

There are steps you can take to make sure that your smart home technology is safe, however, so let's take a look at a few of those.

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Ways to Keep Your Smart Home Safe

One of the most important steps to take in keeping your smart home safe is the creation of a secure Wi-Fi network. Most networks are initially set up to be open, and that creates a huge security flaw for your entire system. A strong network name and password both go a long way toward keeping your Wi-Fi network – and thus your smart devices – safe.

Ways It's Even Safer

Now that we've looked at steps you can take to keep your smart home tech safe, we wanted to also make sure to take time to look at ways that same technology can actually work to make your home safer.

One of the main ways of doing this is through smart home security. With a smart home security system, you can forget about having to remember to lock the front door behind you. Instead, you can set up your front door to lock by itself every time you open the garage and get ready to go somewhere.

Smart security systems can also include smart cameras that can keep an eye on your property 24/7, and even give you direct security feeds right on your phone that you can check from anywhere – even while on the beach for vacation. And these are just two examples of how smart home security can make your house safer!

So, to recap: Yes, smart home technology is safe, and it can go a long way toward helping you keep your home safer than regular security measures. But, it also opens up some risk, and the best way to prevent that is with expert installation of all your smart home components! No matter what you are looking to add to your smart home, give us a call. We'll be glad to help you out in creating a safe and secure smart home environment for you and your family.