Degrees of Burglary Offenses

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Under Arizona law, burglary is a severe criminal offense. Arizona law defines burglary as entering someone else's property with the intent to commit any theft or felony thereon. The law also recognizes the following three different types of <u>Arizona burglary crimes</u>:

- Third degree burglary An individual can face charges for third degree burglary if he or she enters/remains in or on a nonresidential structure or in a fenced commercial/residential yard unlawfully, with the intent to commit theft or any other type of felony.
- Second degree burglary An individual can face charges for second degree burglary if he or she remains unlawfully or illegally enters a residential building with the intent to commit theft or a felony.
- First degree burglary An individual can face charges for first degree burglary if he or she unlawfully enters a home, business or property with a weapon or explosive device and intends to steal.

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