

01 / FOLLOW THE MONEY

Compare two security quotes

Put both offers on the same 36-month timeline. Fill this in on your device or print it. Write "unknown" when a cost is missing; a blank is not zero.

	OFFER A	OFFER B
Provider + plan		
Written quote date		
1 Equipment paid at the start Upfront purchase OR financing down payment.		
2 Installation + activation Only amounts paid upfront; exclude financed charges.		
3 Monitoring over 36 months Add each period if the monthly price changes.		
4 Video or storage over 36 months Count separately only if not bundled above.		
5 Financing payments over 36 months Include financed setup costs; do not repeat row 1.		
6 Other required charges + taxes Only charges or taxes not already included above.		
7 Confirmed credits to subtract Credits due within 36 months, not already deducted above.		
Cash paid in the first 36 months Add rows 1-6, then subtract row 7.		
Financing balance after month 36 Separate obligation; not included in the total above.		

Avoid double counting: with financing, enter the down payment in row 1 and the first 36 months of installments in row 5. Note later obligations separately. These fields do not calculate totals automatically.

02 / CHECK THE FIT

What does each offer include?

Ask for answers in writing for the exact equipment and plan in your quote. A lower payment helps only if the setup does what you need.

CHECK BEFORE CHOOSING

OFFER A

OFFER B

Internet outage

What records, sends alerts, or reaches the monitoring center?

Power outage

Which devices have backup power, and for how long?

Video you can retrieve

Storage device, retention, export access, and any required plan.

Contract + renewal

Minimum service term, renewal rule, and future price changes.

Leaving early

Cancellation charges and any financing balance still owed.

Moving + support

Moving fees, installation needs, warranty, and service visits.

My better fit - and what still needs an answer

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