

DOWNTOWN LONDON CPTED AUDIT FAQ



▾ **What is CPTED and how does it help with security and safety of my business?**

CPTED stands for Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design. CPTED (pronounced sep-ted) suggests that the design of buildings, landscaping and outdoor environments can either encourage or discourage crime.

▾ **What is the purpose of the audit?**

A main objective of CPTED is to reduce/remove the opportunity for crime to occur in an environment, and promote positive interaction with the space by legitimate users. CPTED is a preventative, pro-active model, and not a reactive one.

▾ **How long will the audit take?**

On average, your CPTED audit will take approximately one hour to complete.

▾ **Do I need to be present during the audit?**

Yes. You or a designated person needs to be present and available to answer questions and provide information to the auditor.

▾ **Will I get a copy of the final audit report?**

Yes. You can use the information in the audit to plan your updates and improvements to your business.

▾ **Do I need to implement all of the audit suggestions?**

No. The audit results will provide you with a professional review of your space and what steps may be taken to minimize crime or damage due to attempted crime.

For any further questions, please contact Judith Smith (Membership Coordinator) at **519-521-4408** or judith@downtownlondon.ca.