This page was exported from - Shelburne Free Press
Export date: Fri Oct 30 5:55:53 2026 / +0000 GMT

Seniors and door?to?door salespeople

We've had a number of calls recently from concerned citizens who are suspicious of aggressive door to door salespeople. Using high pressure sales tactics, these unscrupulous individuals often prey on seniors and other vulnerable members of our community. Here's what you can do to protect yourself.

? Never allow anyone into your home if you feel the least bit intimidated

? Ask for photo identification

? Contact the parent company and ask about the employee

? Never make snap decisions, no matter how ?quickly? the salesman says you must act

? Call police if you have any suspicions

? Call a neighbour to come over

? Ask them to return after you've spoken to a trusted family member

? Most utility companies (gas, electric, phone) don't send unsolicited employees

? Get a second opinion, or a second quote

Remember, if it sounds too good to be true, it probably is.