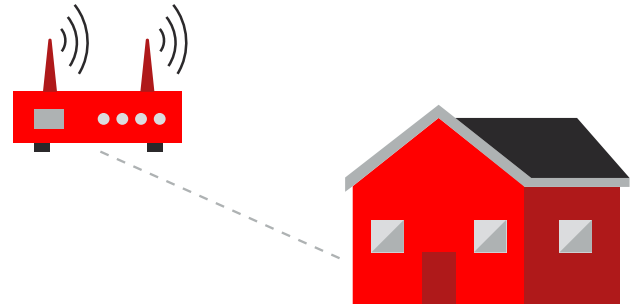# Ultrafast Broadband

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Connecting your alarm

Before installing ultrafast broadband (UFB), it's important to check that your intruder alarm systems – which could also include fire detection – will still function properly. You might have to make a few changes if not.

Communication breakdown

Older monitored analogue intruder alarm systems communicate with the monitoring station using traditional copper telephone cables. But these are not compatible with UFB. If your alarm goes off and your system isn't UFB compatible, the alarm signal won't reach the company monitoring your property.

Quick tips

1. Ask your telco and alarm company to help you find the right solution before any installation work starts.

2. Weigh up the costs of upgrading your existing alarm (which can be costly) or installing a new UFB-compatible system.

3. If monitoring is via the internet, check that your alarm system will work in a power outage, or arrange a backup power source.

Before installing UFB

- Check with the installer if you can.
- Integrate your phone's copper cables with the new UFB fibre system.
- OR, check whether your alarm can be modified to use another means of communicating with the monitoring station e.g. GPRS, GSM, 2G or internet protocol.

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