Smart Kitchen Privacy + Security Checklist for Homeowners

Alexa + Google Home • 5-minute baseline + quarterly tune-up

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Located at https://smarthomehq.house/ai-kitchen-privacy-security-checklist/

1) Fast Baseline (Do These First) ✅

- ☐ Enable **2FA** on Amazon + Google + appliance brand accounts
- ☐ Change router **admin password** + Wi-Fi password (unique, long)
- ☐ Run **firmware updates** (router/mesh, smart displays, key sensors)
- ☐ Remove old/unknown devices from Amazon/Google "devices" list

2) Wi-Fi + Network Safety (Highest ROI) 📊

- ☐ Use **WPA3** (or WPA2-AES if WPA3 isn't available)
- ☐ Turn **WPS OFF**
- ☐ Create a separate **IoT/Guest network** for smart devices
- ☐ Put safety devices (leak/smoke/CO) on the strongest signal area (mesh node if needed)

3) Account + App Security 🔑 🧩

- ☐ Use a **password manager** for appliance apps (no reused passwords)
- ☐ Revoke unused **Alexa Skills / Google Home integrations**
- ☐ Review app permissions; deny anything unnecessary (contacts, precise location, mic)

4) Voice Assistant Privacy 🎙️

- ☐ Turn on **auto-delete** for voice history (where available)
- ☐ Delete old voice recordings/transcripts you don't need
- ☐ Use **mic mute** during gatherings or sensitive conversations (optional but effective)

5) Cameras/Displays (If Any) 👁️

- ☐ Disable camera when not needed; avoid aiming at dining areas/hallways

- Disable cloud video storage unless you truly need it

- Turn off personalized ads/marketing toggles (if offered)

6) Notifications (Only Alerts That Matter) 🔔

- **Keep ON (actionable):**

    - Leak detected

    - Smoke/CO alerts

    - Freezer/fridge temp too high (if monitored)

- **Optional (nice-to-know):**

    - Dishwasher cycle done

    - Oven preheat done

    - Filter reminders

7) Subscription + End-of-Life Reality Check 💳 ⏳

- Confirm what stops working if you cancel a subscription

- Confirm the appliance still works manually if cloud/app features fail

- Prefer brands with a track record of longer app support

8) Quarterly Tune-Up (15 minutes) 🔁

- Update firmware (router/mesh + hubs + sensors)

- Re-check device list + remove anything unknown

- Test leak/safety alerts (and shutoff response if installed)