# **IoT Device Buying Checklist**

What to Know Before Bringing a Smart Device Home

## **Before You Buy**

- ☐ Research brand/model reputation
- ☐ Check if the device is still supported
- ☐ Read the privacy policy
- ☐ Supports local (offline) control?
- ☐ Works with your smart home platform?

## **Security Features**

- ☐ Regular firmware updates available?
- ☐ Supports two-factor authentication?
- ☐ Can you change default login info?
- Uses encryption (HTTPS, TLS)?

# App & Cloud Use

- ☐ App has good reviews?
- ☐ Cloud required to function?
- App requests minimal permissions?

# Longevity & Compatibility

- ☐ Part of a trusted smart ecosystem?
- Matter-compatible or future-ready?
- Usable without creating an account?

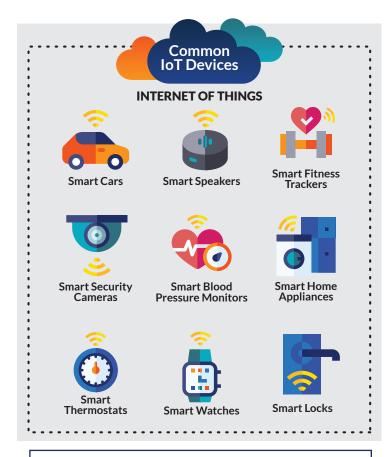
# **Total Cost of Ownership**

- ☐ Any hidden fees (e.g., subscriptions)?
- ☐ Is customer support available?



#### **Outreach Materials**

Scan the QR code to download customizable community resources.



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