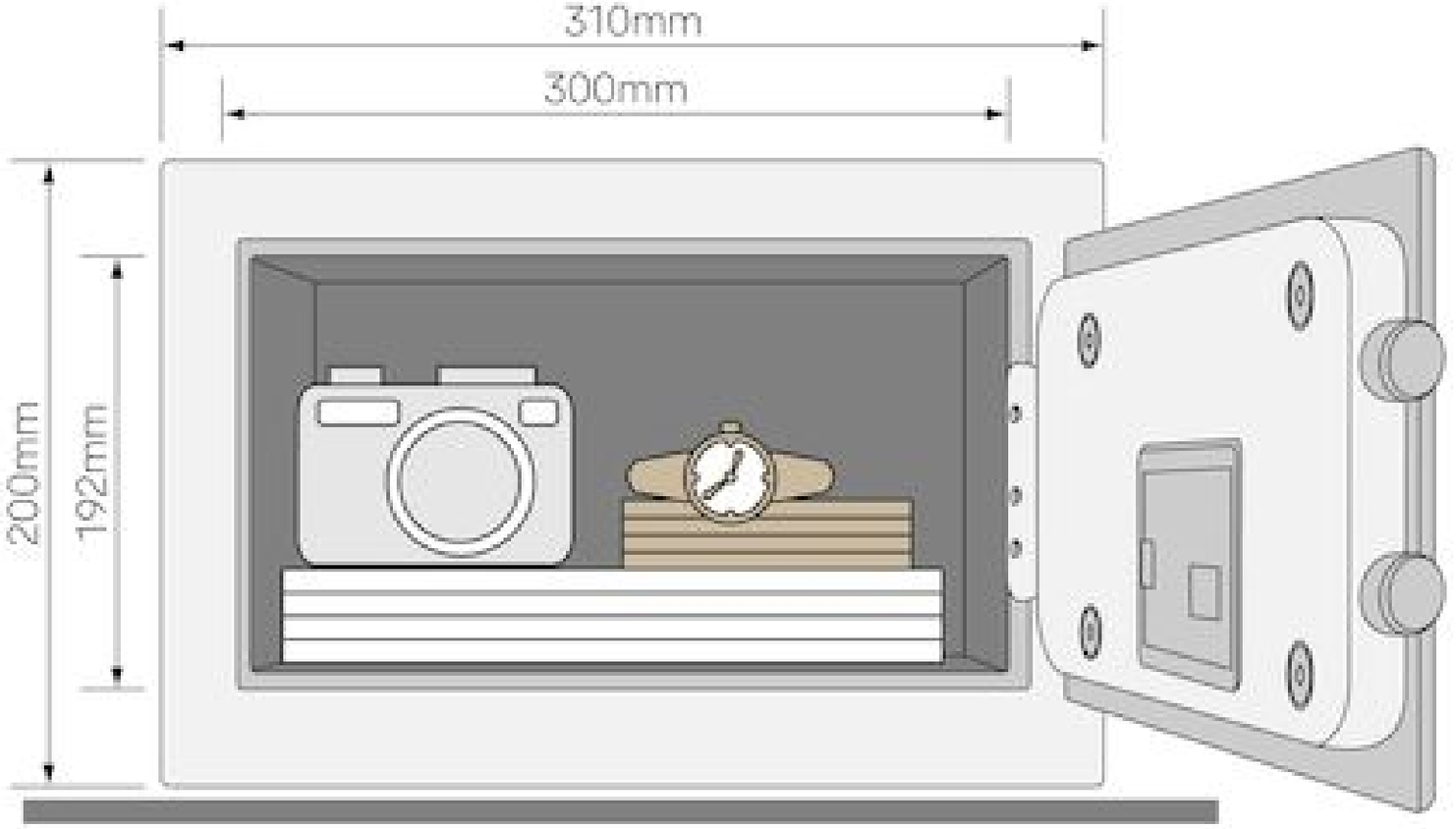STANDARD PROTECTION