



Child Protection Part 2

Every home is filled with hazards that threaten the safety of children. In order to keep your child safe, it is extremely important that you take the proper precautions to child-proof your home. The following tips will help you learn how to protect your children from household dangers.

Household Safety

- Use outlet covers so children cannot come into contact with outlets and risk shock or electrocution.
- Install window guards and safety netting to protect from falling out of windows and off of balconies, decks, etc.
- If you have a staircase in your home, install safety gates at the top and bottom to prevent your child from climbing up and falling down stairs.
- Keep child-proof latches and locks on any cabinets and drawers that children can reach.
- There are many hazards in the kitchen, so it is a good idea to prevent children from getting into the kitchen by blocking the room off with a gate.
- Never leave a child unattended in the bathtub, and keep the water level low. It is possible to drown in less than 1 inch of water.

Be Prepared

- Keep a well-stocked first aid kit in your home at all times.
- Keep a fire extinguisher in your home, and check it monthly to make sure it is in good working condition.
- Take a child CPR training course.
- Keep in mind that no child-proof safety device is 100% child-proof.



Resources

[Household Safety Checklists](#)

[Childproofing Your Home](#)

[Preventing Drowning](#)