

Childproofing Your Home



Basics:

- Put gates on entry ways
- Put plug covers in outlets
- Keep drapery cords out of their reach
- Keep electrical cords out of reach or duct taping them down
- Lock cabinets
- Keep bathroom doors closed
- Keep covers on sharp furniture corners
- Keep liquids in a locked cabinet
- Keep plants up
- Keep small objects and balloons out of the child's reach
- Keep knob covers on door knobs
- Keep water heater temperature set at 120°
- Keep alcohol and tobacco locked up
- Provide a smoke free environment

Living Room:

- Keep candles and lighters up and out of reach
- Anchor DVD and CD and TVs to the wall
- Move small objects out of the child's range
- Keep plants out of child's range

Dining Room/ Kitchen:

- **Keep glassware out of their reach**
- **Keep liquids/cleaning solutions locked in cabinets**
- **Keep covers on stove knobs**
- **Keep pots/pan handles out of the child's reach**
- **Keep knives locked up**
- **Secure refrigerator and freezer doors**
- **Keep loose rugs secure or remove them**

Bathroom:

- **Keep door closed when possible**
- **Keep covers on faucet handles**
- **Keep clamp on the toilet lid**
- **Keep medicine cabinet locked**
- **Keep hair dryers/curling irons unplugged**
- **Keep toiletries in a locked cabinet**



Bedroom:

- **Keep area under the bed clear**
- **Keep toiletries locked up**
- **Keep end tables away from bed (prevents use of end tables like a ladder)**
- **Keep soft pillows and loose bedding off the bed**

Garage:

- **Keep guns locked in cabinet with ammunition separate and gun locks on the gun**
- **Keep chemicals locked up**
- **Keep tools locked up**
- **Keep saws and sharp tools out of reach of child**
- **Store windshield wiper solution and radiator fluids in a locked cabinet as these look like children's fruit drink**
- **Do not store gas in a confined area**
- **Secure storage shelves to the walls**