home safety room by room

Injuries can happen fast! Check out these tips to keep kids safe in and around your new home.

- garage and shed:
- Keep tools up or away from children.
- Never leave a grill unattended while cooking, keep young children away from the grill.
- If you need to warm a vehicle, remove it from the garage immediately after starting. Don't leave a car, SUV or motorcycle engine running inside a garage, even if the doors are open.





living room:

• Secure TVs and furniture to walls to avoid tip-overs.



kitchen:

- Warn children of potential causes of burns (scalding hot water, food, steam, open flames).
- Store sharp objects or breakables out of reach of children.
- Turn pot handles on the stove inward or on back burners where your children cannot reach them .
- Unplug all appliances and turn off oven when not in use.
- Install and check smoke alarms regularly.

bathroom and laundry room:

- Keep all medications, chemicals, and alcohol out of your children's reach.
- Keep all chemicals and cleaning products in their original containers.
- Properly dispose of medications and chemicals you no longer need.
- Give young children your full and undivided attention when they are in the bathtub or around water.
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- Discuss fall risks around decks, windows and stairs with children, use gates to prevent falls for young children, pay special attention to features that are new to your child.
- Make a list of emergency phone numbers and place near a phone, include poison control 1-800-222-1222.
- Use outlet covers, cabinet locks and other child-proofing devices.

bedroom:

- Attach screens to windows, or use window locks to prevent falls.
- Check toys to make sure there aren't any small parts that could cause a child to choke.
- Follow the ABC's of safe sleep, babies should sleep alone, on their backs and in a crib.

