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WINDOW SAFETY TIPS

Learn to recognize hazards and prevent injuries. What looks "normal" to an adult may be deadly to a child.

Whenever small children are around, close and lock windows. If you need ventilation, open the windows that are out of the reach of children.

Do not place furniture near windows. Children with their boundless energy, love to jump on beds and climb on furniture and they can quickly reach window ledges or sills and fall.

Keep window treatments (blinds, cords, drapes, etc.) out of children's reach. They may injure themselves when climbing or be strangled. Climbing on radiators, especially those in front of windows, can also be dangerous for kids.

Keep children away from open windows and don't allow them to lean on the insect screens. Don't depend on these screens to keep your child from falling out of a window. Screens are designed to keep insects out . . . not children in.

Don't leave young children alone—injuries can happen in seconds. Nothing can substitute careful supervision.

Develop a family emergency plan to make sure family members know how to escape through any code-required emergency exit window or accessory.

You must be able to open windows in an emergency. Do not paint, nail or weatherstrip them shut.

Do not remove cranks from casement and awning windows unless you know they will not be needed for an emergency exit. Cap the exposed studs with covers available from the manufacturer.

Keep children's roughhousing away from windows and patio doors. Falling through a window could cause serious injury or prove fatal.

Consult your local police and fire departments regarding home safety awareness and security tips.

